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Roller Skating Popular "Day-Off" Recreation



THE AGAWAM ROLLAWAY on Main Street was doing brisk business with many local schoolchildren taking advantage of their day off on Monday to hit the rink. Pictured lacing their skates are Nicole Bouchard, Michelle Bouchard, and Sarah Regina. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



STACEY REGINA and pal COURTNEY MCMAHON enjoy snowcones before embarking on their afternoon of rollerskating at the Rollaway Rink in Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

110-Acre Site Above Feeding Hills Center...

Town Council Nixes Purchase Of Agawam Country Club For \$2.8 Million

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Agawam Town Council voted against the purchase of the Agawam Country Club on Southwick Street (Feeding Hills Center), paving the way for Springfield developers Anthony Ravosa and Stephen Reilly to develop the 110-acre site.

Two weeks ago, the council also failed to muster the necessary two-thirds vote (eight votes) to purchase the St. Anne's Country Club for \$3.25 million from the Napolitan brothers.

Ravosa and Reilly initially made an offer on that land as well but later dropped it. The town can match any offer made on either St. Anne's or Agawam Country Club because both owners took advantage of a tax break allowed through a state open space program.

If an offer to buy these parcels are made, Agawam then has 120 days to match the offer. At presstime, there is no public offer on St. Anne's.

Councilor Christopher Johnson, in advocating the acquisition of the property, informed fellow councilors that the purchase of this open space, at a cost of \$2.8 million, would cost taxpayers "32 cents in the fiscal 1990 tax rate and would assure this land remains as open space."

Johnson said, "We can't afford to let 110 acres of quality of land go. We declined to purchase St. Anne's Country Club. We have four country clubs in Agawam and that's a huge chunk of open space. We have to consider preserving it."

Johnson defined the sales and purchase agreement,

pointing out that \$1.75 million of the cost would be bonded by the town. He said the remaining \$1 million to seal the sale would be in a note held by the sellers and payable in a lump sum 10 years from the date of the sale.

The purchase price included all equipment at the club. The council had until February 10th to act on the purchase.

Dissenting on the purchase were Councilors Edward Caba, Paul Fieldstad, Philip DeForge, Benjamin Lockhart, John Negrucchi, and Edward Borgatti. Council President Donald M. Rheault abstained from voting on the issue. Councilor Frederick Nardi was absent during the vote.

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Johnson, along with Councilors Jessie Fuller and David Skolnick favored the acquisition. Skolnick had earlier spoken in favor of open space in Agawam, indicating that should the St. Anne's Country Club property again appear before the council, he would probably support its purchase by the town.

"We need open space in Agawam, and if they (the Napolitan brothers, owners of St. Anne's) want to negotiate again, I'll listen. If we want open space then it's going to cost us money."

Mrs. Fuller also favored taking another shot at St. Anne's, stating, "I think that St. Anne's is the most beneficial. There are so many possibilities there. I'd be in favor of it."

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, WEDNESDAY, February 8, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of GEORGE AND VALERIE VASSOS who are seeking a Special Permit in accordance with Section 20, Paragraph 11 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the conversion of an existing property located in a Residential A-2 Zone to business and professional offices. Said residential building is located at 158 MAIN STREET at the corner of FEDERAL STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals,
Ronald LaRiviere, Chairman

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TOWN OF AGAWAM
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, February 2, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of TAYLOR RENTAL, INC. who is seeking a variance from the requirements of Section 20-53 (b) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the construction of a building with less than the required sideyard clearance at the premises known and identified as 221-223 SPRINGFIELD STREET.

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Ronald LaRiviere, Chairman

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Residents Hopeful About Water Woes

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"At least these people are doing something about it."

Those words from Francis & Dorothy Karakla were directed towards Western Massachusetts Electric Company (WMECO). The "it" the Karaklas referred to is an electrical current from an as yet undetermined source that is being conducted along their water pipes and is causing "Bermuda Blue" water.

It's a continuing saga of water woes for this South Westfield Street couple. The dilemma began with foul-smelling, rust-colored water last fall and has evolved with "electrified water."

The Karaklas are frustrated with a system that has given them few answers, they say, and even those were issued reluctantly, if at all. The couple has even gone so far as to send a four-page letter to Town Manager Linda Mundo criticizing the Agawam Department of Public Works for "minimal response to our calls and an almost total lack of information as to the cause and cures for the ongoing problem."

Some members of Town Council again addressed the issue briefly at their Tuesday night meeting. Councilors John Negrucci, David Skolnick, and Paul Fieldstad voiced concern over the reports and requested a follow-up from Mrs. Mundo on the issue of "electricity in the water."

Mrs. Mundo informed councilors that John P. Stone, DPW superintendent, is working with WMECO on a solution to the problem.

Fieldstad called for action, adding that he hoped "we are not going to study this forever. We have to take some action to correct the situation."

WMECO was called in to investigate the probable sources of the current problem - electrical current causing blue discoloration of the Karaklas' water, and determining that the electrical current was not originating in the Karakla home or its wiring.

Further testing, including shutting-off various power lines and transformers indicate that the electrical source might be traced back to the Edward J. Connelly Criminal Justice Training Center, or the three independent transformers serving only that facility (none of the South Westfield Street residences).

These transformers, located in a direct line to the Karakla home, were shutdown, causing the unidentified current to sharply drop.

"It (the electrical current) only stopped when the Police Academy's transformers were stopped," Mrs. Karakla says. WMECO's testing and investigation were still underway at presstime.

WMECO suggested placing a ground rod in the Karakla home at WMECO's expense, calling it a "stop gap measure that would alleviate the problem, but not eliminate it."

WMECO called the situation a "very dangerous one," according to Mrs. Karakla. WMECO has found blue water in other service areas that's often triggered by faulty wiring or grounding.

But that's not the case as far as the Karakla home is concerned. The source is definitely from the outside, officials have stated.

The Karaklas have found WMECO officials "very cooperative and helpful."

Mrs. Karakla noted, "The electric company has really responded to us. They are concerned about us."

Though the existing problem is different than the foul, dingy water that sparked this five-month long saga, Mrs. Karakla said her letter to Mrs. Mundo (town manager) expressed her deep concern about what she called "the town's lack of concern and response."

She added, "At the time of the stricken cadets at the Police Academy across the street (September 18th and 19th), the water was strongly suspected as the cause. Not one person from the town alerted us or our neighbors that there might be a serious problem."

At that time, and with water tests in-hand showing excessive iron content, a state Department of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) representative said, "I would personally not drink it (the water) or use it." That was the beginning.

Private testing conducted December 15th by the Berkshire Enviro-Labs, Inc., of Lee, indicated an extremely high aggressive index, and reported, "The water sample tested is very aggressive/corrosive." This water was drawn from the cold bathtub tap.

Since then, WMECO officials have asked the Karaklas to "let us know if we received a shock from touching the water faucets."

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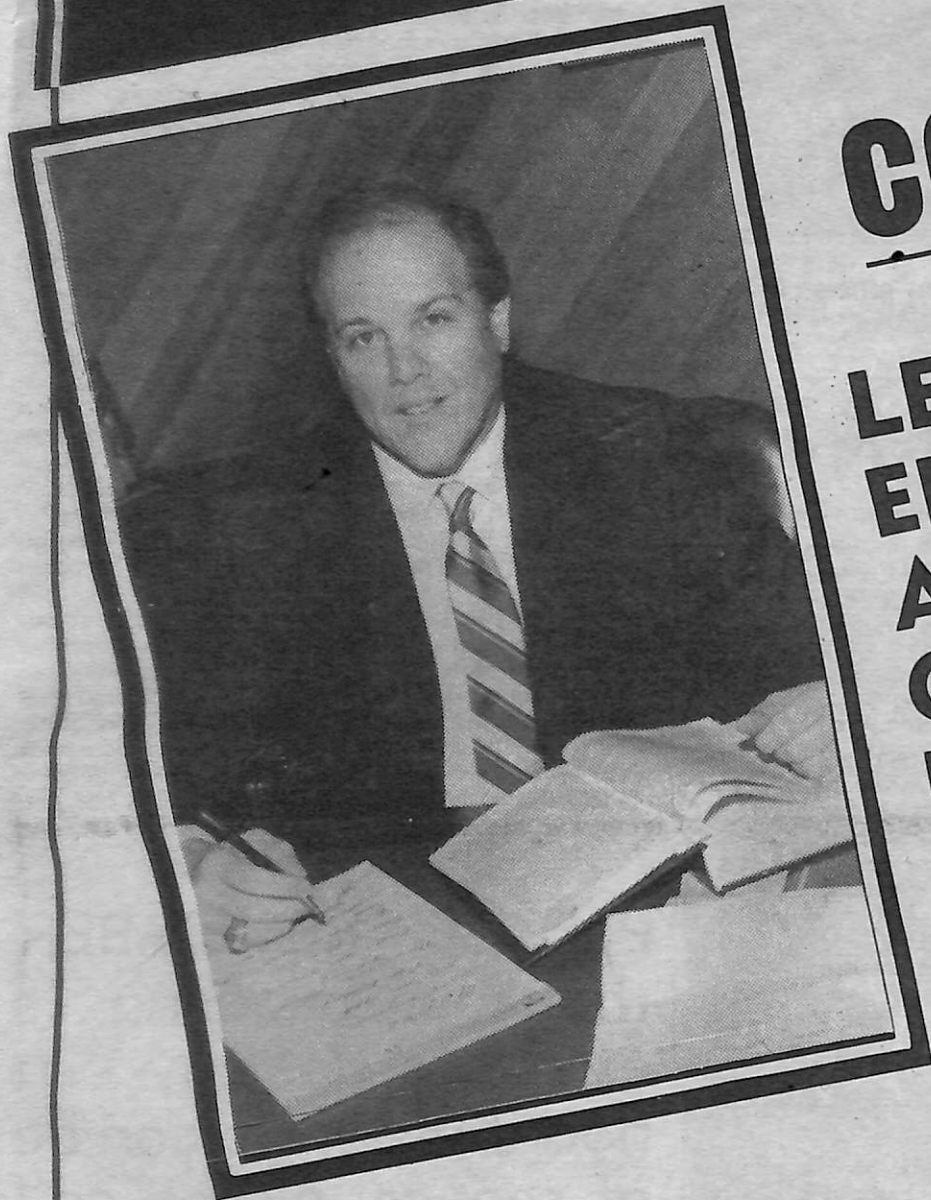
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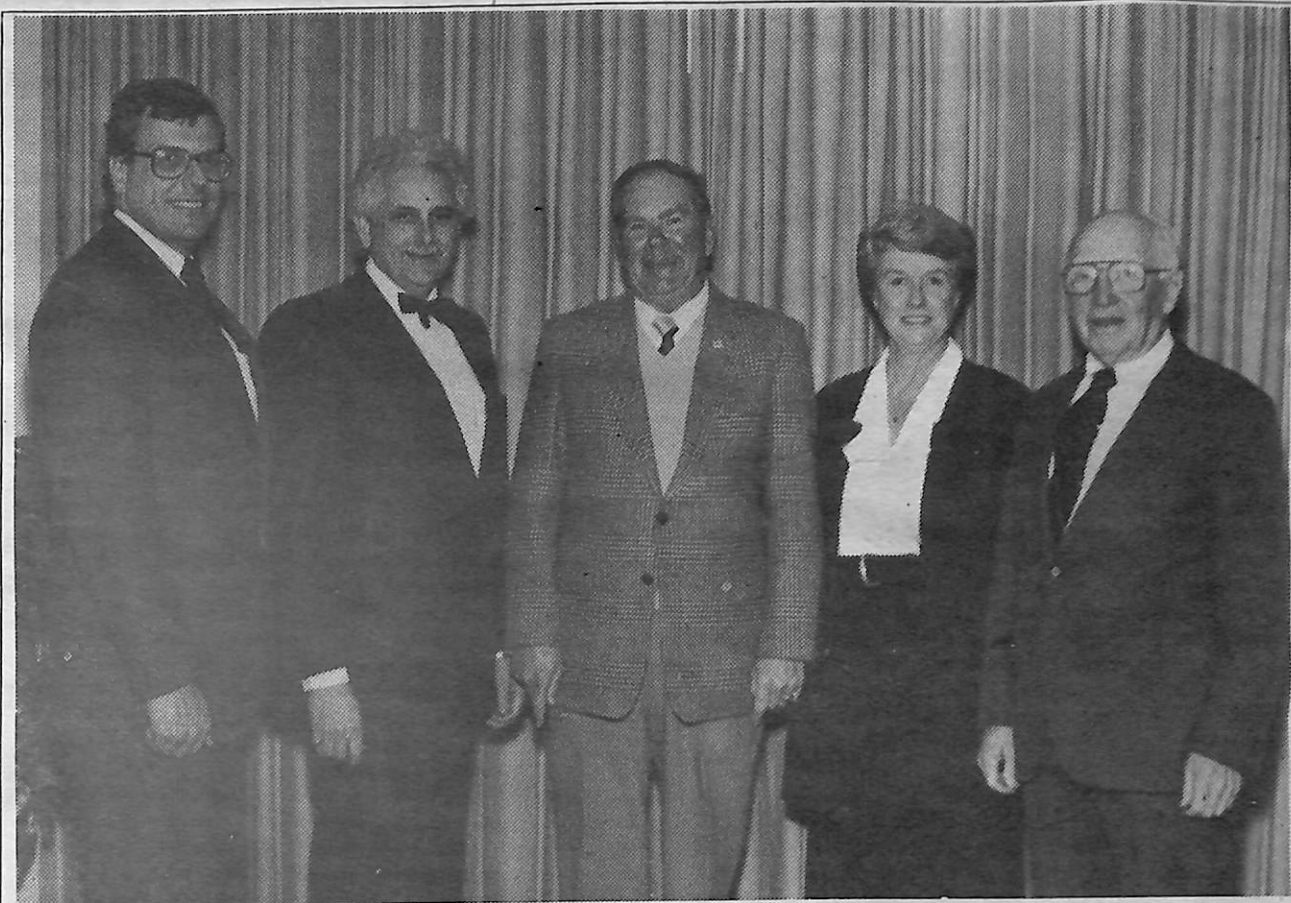
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AGAWAM'S CHESTOR J. NICORA (second from left) is pictured with fellow officers of the Mass. Board of Real Estate Appraisers. Nicora is the organization's new president.

Nicora New Chief Of Appraisers

Chester J. Nicora, Jr., MRA of Agawam, has been elected President of the Massachusetts Board of Real Estate Appraisers, the largest statewide appraisal organization in the country with over 100 certified RA and MRA members and more than 600 provisional members.

Nicora, principal of Suburban Appraisal Company in Agawam, is well suited for his new leadership role. He is a former board secretary and vice president and has been actively involved in its educational program as a member of the Education Committee and as an instructor of its appraisal courses at Western New England College in Springfield.

He has served for several years on the Board of Examiners, the body which determines whether an applicant for certification has fulfilled the requirements prior to being designated a Certified RA or MRA member.

A graduate of American International College with a master's degree in education from Westfield State Col-

lege, Nicora is also active in community organizations, including the Agawam Chamber of Commerce where he served as president in 1983 and as chairman of its Economics and Development Committee for six years. He is also a former member and chairman of the Agawam Economic and Industrial Development Commission and has been an assistant assessor in the Town of Agawam since 1983.

He is experienced in land planning and sub-division approval, and has developed subdivisions and built single, multi-family and commercial dwellings. His professional and trade affiliations include membership in the National, Massachusetts, Springfield, and Berkshire County Boards of Realtors, and the Massachusetts Association of Assessing Officials.

Elected to serve with Nicora in 1989 are: William J. Pastuszek, Jr., MRA, Newton, vice president; William D. Stewart, MRA, Boston, treasurer; and Abigail A. Burns, MRA, Boston, secretary.

Council Moves On Appointment Of Pool Of Town Constables

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Town Council Tuesday night unanimously voted to adopt and refer to its Ordinance Committee a law providing for the appointment of constables to serve during elections and for other designated town functions.

Sponsor of the motion, Town Council President Donald M. Rheault, said this issue is rooted in the town's economy. He said the payroll for last November's election included \$2,781 in police pay that, if constables had been used, would only have totaled \$700 for the same basic services.

Town Manager Linda Mundo indicated that while there was an old list of eligible constable appointees, the list has long since expired.

The procedure had been for anyone meeting the requirements to be a constable would be first cleared through the Agawam Police Department and then appointed by the town manager.

Those requirements, as defined by Massachusetts General Law (Chapter 41, Section 91B), require a constable be a town resident, be in a state of fitness for this position, state reasons for applying for the position, include five personal recommendations from town residents, including one attorney, and then a complete investigation of the individual by the Police Department is conducted.

An appointed constable would be paid \$6.50 an hour as opposed to the much higher wages paid in overtime to police officers now filling these positions. Rheault said should such constables be allowed to serve the civil process, they should have to be bonded.

By referring the issue to the Ordinance Committee for study, said Rheault, the council insured that all guidelines would be established and that town liability and limits on the number of constables serving civil process (and the total number of constables to be appointed) would be refined and put in proper format.

Councilor Christopher Johnson urged a mandatory records check of all applicants, and also supported placing limitations on the number of process servers.

Fiscal conservative, Councilor Paul Fieldstad, advocated use of constables, stating, "We have better uses for our highly-trained police officers than these tasks."

Fieldstad noted that the town has always had constables in the past and there was no reason why that should not again be the pattern.

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Stone maintains the Karakla water is "potable" in a written report dated January 13th. Stone's report states that the blue water problem could be alleviated or eliminated with "normal water use."

Stone noted that the Karaklas' use of bottled water could mean that not enough water is flowing through the pipes to flush-out the high copper levels. Stone also stated he is waiting for results of the WMECO testing and investigation.

The Karaklas maintain they should not have had to drink, launder, or bathe with discolored and odorous water. They said the need for bottled water was a result of that particular problem (not the cause of it).

"This same applies to the blue water problem," Mrs. Karakla said. "We don't enjoy not being able to simply turn on our taps and get clean, fresh water like everyone else."

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Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing in the community room of the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of PRUDENT ASSOCIATES who are seeking a modification of Special Permit No. 1192

LEGAL NOTICE

to allow for the addition of 41 beds to a 123 bed Convalescent Home already permitted by the Board of Appeals in Special Permit No. 1192. The premises affected being 1200 SUFFIELD STREET.

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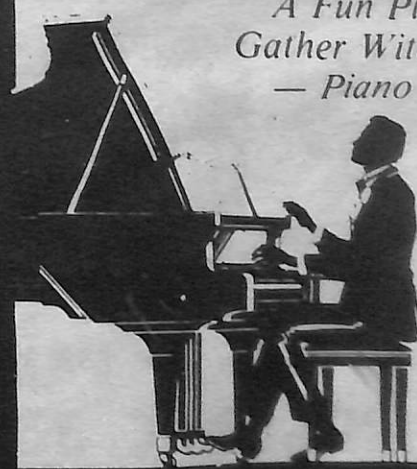
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\$6 Million Collected As January 19th Tax Deadline Arrives

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Some \$6 million in tax revenue has been collected with one week and \$1 million to go in the first billing period of fiscal year 1989, according to Town Treasurer Rudolfo Altobelli.

"All the banks have met their commitments," Altobelli stated on Tuesday.

The deadline for paying property tax bills was Thursday, January 19th (date of publication). "It looks as if the tax bills for the second half of the fiscal year will also go out on time," Altobelli added.

Last year's expected April 1st tax bills were not released until mid-August. This caused a summer-long snafu and financial crunch for the town.

According to Altobelli, expected state aid funds should arrive on schedule on March 31st, and again on June 31st. He said this should put to rest any concern that expected revenue might not be available to the town when needed.

In December the possibility of delays in distribution of state funds or of semi-annual (instead of quarterly) disbursements had many town and city treasurers checking their budget commitments in case of a cash crunch resulting from slow state paybacks.

Altobelli said that on Tuesday the Massachusetts Bureau of Accounts brought assurances that there would be no alterations in the funding process through this fiscal year.

Altobelli said fiscal year 1990 "could definitely be another issue. Next year's budget should be of deep concern to budget planners for the coming months."

With financial issues temporarily easing for the town, Altobelli's immediate concern has reverted to the often maligned computer programming that has generated long delays in processing paid tax bills and information through his office.

Because of these long delays, which the previous town administration had said last spring were being ironed-out, the hiring of a full-time clerk at \$15,000 and the paying-out of \$10,000 in overtime to his staff became necessary.

"My staff has been working nights and weekends to keep up with the flow. The staff has been just great. They've been very professional and totally cooperative."

Sherry Lane Apartments Now Condominiums



SHERRY LANE APARTMENTS on Springfield Street have been converted to condominiums through agent Kathy Ayre, a realtor for George and Green Real Estate, headquartered on Main Street, Agawam. Also involved in the conversion were, from left - Howard McCullah, Kathy Ayre, Janice Maroni, Alice Briere, Richard Mitnick, Lisa Ferrero, and Mark McLaughlin. Missing: Michael Grandfield. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

However, Altobelli said both the overtime and backlog of recordkeeping are unnecessary.

"We still don't have a computer operation where the taxpayer can just come in and get the information they need," says Altobelli.

Altobelli said the computer problems center around rewritten software - a new program that was installed less than a year ago. Because of this, Altobelli says the Treasurer's Office has been saddled with additional costs and loss of precious time, thereby creating a tremendous backlog for the staff to deal with.

"We are three months behind and that's causing a ripple effect. The computer problems have still not

allowed us to get out the demand notices for 1988, and that decreases our incoming revenues," says Altobelli. "And we still can't do our 1987 titles and that interferes with what we are supposed to do by law."

MASBO, the firm that wrote the software, has been working to correct the many problems with little success, according to Altobelli.

Altobelli indicates that if the problems are not resolved by the end of this month, he could initiate other action to remedy the already-prolonged situation.

"They (MASBO) have made the town many promises, but we're still waiting."

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LEGAL LINES

Probate An Estate...

by Attorney Rene Thomas

What does it mean to probate an estate?

When a person dies, if that person has owned any assets in his or her name alone at the time of death such as a house, a boat, or a bank account, that decedent has left an estate which must pass through a procedure in the Probate Court.

The reasons for the procedure in the Probate Court are to ascertain what assets the person owned at the time of death, what individuals have claims to these assets either as a creditor, an heir, or a person claiming under a will, and finally, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts wants to make certain that estate taxes are paid should the size of the estate require that such taxes are due.

It is important to note that the only person who can legally handle and deal with the property of someone who has died is the person appointed by the Probate Court as part of the probate procedure. Any person who attempts to confiscate or dispose of assets of the deceased without court appointment may become legally liable.

Ways of avoiding probate would include joint ownership of property with survivorship rights and placing property in a living trust.

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: Agawam Attorney Rene Thomas is back with his "LEGAL LINES." Questions and comments should be referred to Attorney Thomas by calling 789-0753.

IN THE HOUSE - by State Rep. Michael P. Walsh

New Auto Insurance Measure

In November, the Massachusetts Legislature passed a new automobile insurance bill which is designed to reduce 1989 insurance rates for consumers by an average of 8.2 percent over the 1988 rates.

Although the savings for individual consumers will vary depending upon the choice of coverage, driving record and residency, it has been estimated that bills will decrease by \$40 to \$100.

Many changes have been instituted in the automobile insurance system as a result of this measure and consumers would be well-advised to study their policies carefully before renewing them.

For instance, deductibles for collision and comprehensive coverage have been raised to \$500. In other words, if an individual filed an accident claim in January of 1988, he or she would have to pay the first \$200 or \$300 out of their own pocket.

Now, as a result of the new law, consumers filing accident claims are responsible for paying the first \$500.

There is one further note concerning deductibles. Under the new law, consumers will be provided with the option of purchasing a \$300 deductible at additional cost, but the standard deductible for glass claims will remain at zero. Policyholders may, however, choose to lower their yearly premiums by purchasing a \$100 glass deductible.

The figures for personal injury protection, bodily injury protection and the tort threshold have also been changed under the terms of the new law. Personal injury protection benefits will increase from \$2,000 to \$8,000. These benefits cover medical expenses, lost wages, and out-of-pocket expenses.

Presently, the minimum compulsory coverage for bodily injury protection is \$10,000 per person and

\$20,000 per accident. This will increase to 15,000/\$30,000 in 1991 and to \$20,000/\$40,000 in \$993.

The tort threshold, that is the minimum amount whereby an accident victim can go to court to recover damages as a result of the accident, has been raised from \$500 to \$2,000. In other words, accident victims must now accumulate at least \$2,000 in medical costs and doctor's fees before they can enter a courtroom to recover damages.

The new law will also revise the Safe Driver Insurance Plan to reflect actual driving experience. Good drivers will receive excellent driver awards that will continue to increase as long as the driver maintains a good driving record over an extended period of time.

Bad drivers will be charged rates that more accurately reflect the risks and costs imposed by them on the auto insurance system.

In addition to requiring that all auto body shops in the Commonwealth be registered in order to receive payment from insurance companies for collision repairs, the new law increases the maximum penalty for car theft & increases the fine for insurance fraud. Individuals who are convicted of driving without insurance will now face fines of between \$500 and \$5,000.

Before renewing your insurance coverage for this year, discuss these new changes with your agent and make sure these options are suited to you. Although this legislation represents an important first step toward bringing some stability to the auto insurance system in Massachusetts, much more remains to be accomplished if auto insurance consumers are to experience true reform.

Municipal Events

GRAND NATIONAL AUTO

Tuesday, January 24th
School Committee Meeting
Junior High School
7:15 P.M.

Wednesday, January 25th
Board of Appeals
Public Library
7:30 P.M.

Thursday, January 26th
Reading Of Sealed Bids
About Perry Lane Park
Ag. Parks Dept.
2:00 P.M.

Monday, February 6th
Town Council Meeting
Agawam Public Library
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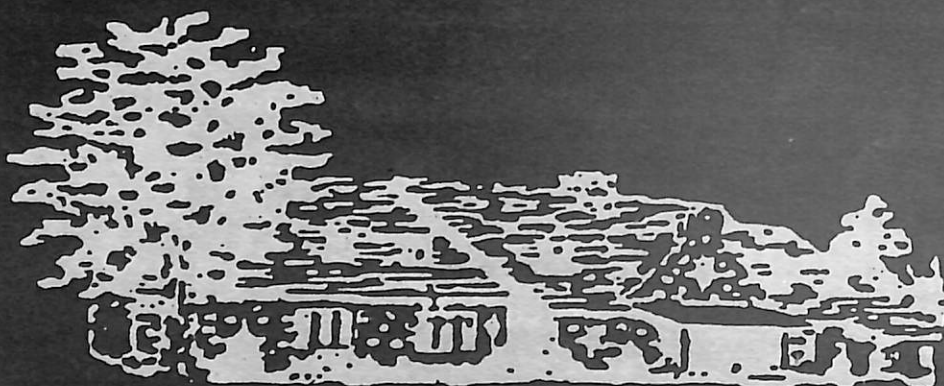
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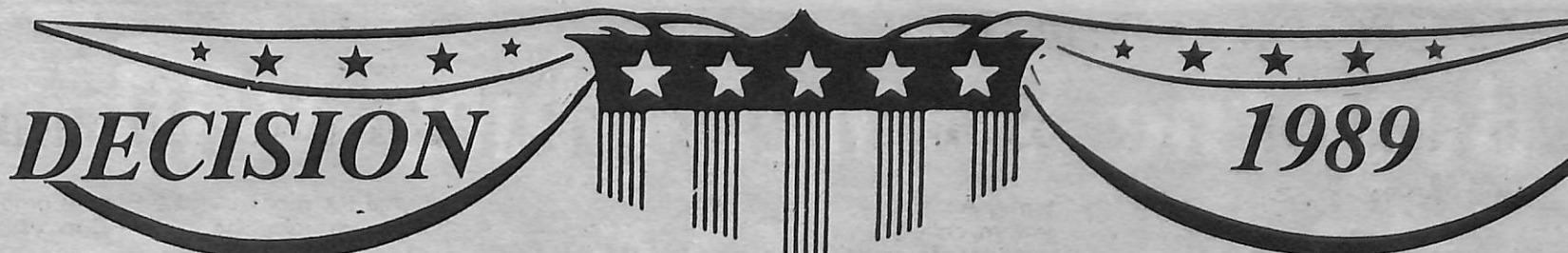


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Agawam Selects A Mayor!

Moreno Challenges Opponents On Schools

Valentine R. Moreno, candidate for mayor of Agawam, today criticized several of his mayoral opponents for their "promises" about education in Agawam.

Moreno said, "Candidates for mayor of Agawam who continue to make promises that they will do wonders with our school system should be asked, what exactly will they do and how will they accomplish the panecias they promise, the cure alls?"

"It makes one wonder how our school system has grown and survived some 125 years without these mayoral candidates.

"Artificial promises to the people is not a fair game for political candidates to play on the voters.

"First, the school system has an appointed (hired) staff that administers the school system, supervised by an elected body, the School Committee.

"The ultimate authority is the State and Federal Boards of Education.

"The schools are run locally by an elected School Committee, chosen by the voters, to do that job.

"The power of the School Committee, and the State and Federal government, have not been shifted to the mayor by the new charter change. The mayor can con-

tribute no more than any citizen can to the school system.

"I became educated about the above when I, as an interested citizen, discovered that a high school official took school property for his own personal use. When challenged by me, I found that my case had to be handled ultimately by the federal authorities. (He made a token restitution when found guilty).

"The point I want to make is why are the candidates now making overtures to aid the school system? What have they contributed up to now? Why haven't they done what they now promise, in the past?"

"It is my opinion that the mayoral candidates do not understand that they do not have any power where the schools are concerned. The School Committee, the staff, and teachers have been exemplary in their respective duties.

"Therefore, what can these candidates do as mayors that they couldn't have done in the past? Isn't it strange?"

"The voters are entitled to hear the issues debated. I again make the challenge that the candidates debate the issues," concluded Moreno.

Ms. Dupee Advocates Central Purchasing To Save Town Funds

Colleen Dupee, a candidate for mayor, today released the following issues statement:

"In these days of the state budget deficit, the time has come for Agawam to consider ways to save money. After speaking with a representative of Governor Dukakis' Budget and Finance Office, it appears certain there will be no increases in state monies to cities and towns, as annually expected.

"As it stands, at the present time, the funding will remain at the same levels as the past fiscal year; at the same time, there does exist the slight possibility for a decrease in the allocations.

"One avenue for a substantial savings is to utilize the benefits a centralized purchasing system would allow, rather than continuing the present policy, which allows each department to acquire supplies on an individual basis.

"In the area of education, I wholeheartedly agree with my opponents—education is a priority, as our children are the future of our city. Our children need not only a quality education in all topics of study, but an atmosphere that is conducive to obtaining an education. At the present time we have an element in our upper grade schools that is detrimental to the learning processes—drugs.

"To combat this problem and enhance the educational environment, I propose that an item be entered into the budget to ensure a continuation and possible expansion of the program, Project D.A.R.E.

"As it stands now, the federal funding has dried up, and in March the state funding will run out. These funds were for the purpose of training police officers to teach our children how to say NO to harmful substances. The Police Department provides two officers for this excellent program, but unfortunately, does not have the funding capabilities for the program itself.

"The business community and citizens of the city have been extremely generous in supporting Project D.A.R.E. I feel it is now time for the Town of Agawam to assure the continuation of the battle against drugs in our schools. Along with this battle, success will come, bringing an atmosphere conducive to quality education," she concluded.

Council Passes \$50,000 Mayoral Salary

After several months of bickering and debate, Agawam Town Council has finally established an ordinance that would pay the town's first mayor an annual salary of \$50,000.

Councilors gave final approval Tuesday night on a 9-0 vote. The item was passed without discussion. Councilors Frederick Nardi and Christopher Johnson, both candidates for mayor, again abstained from voting on advice of their respective private attorneys.

Earlier in the day, Town Council President Donald M. Rheault urged the council to pass the salary on Tuesday night, saying that the required second and

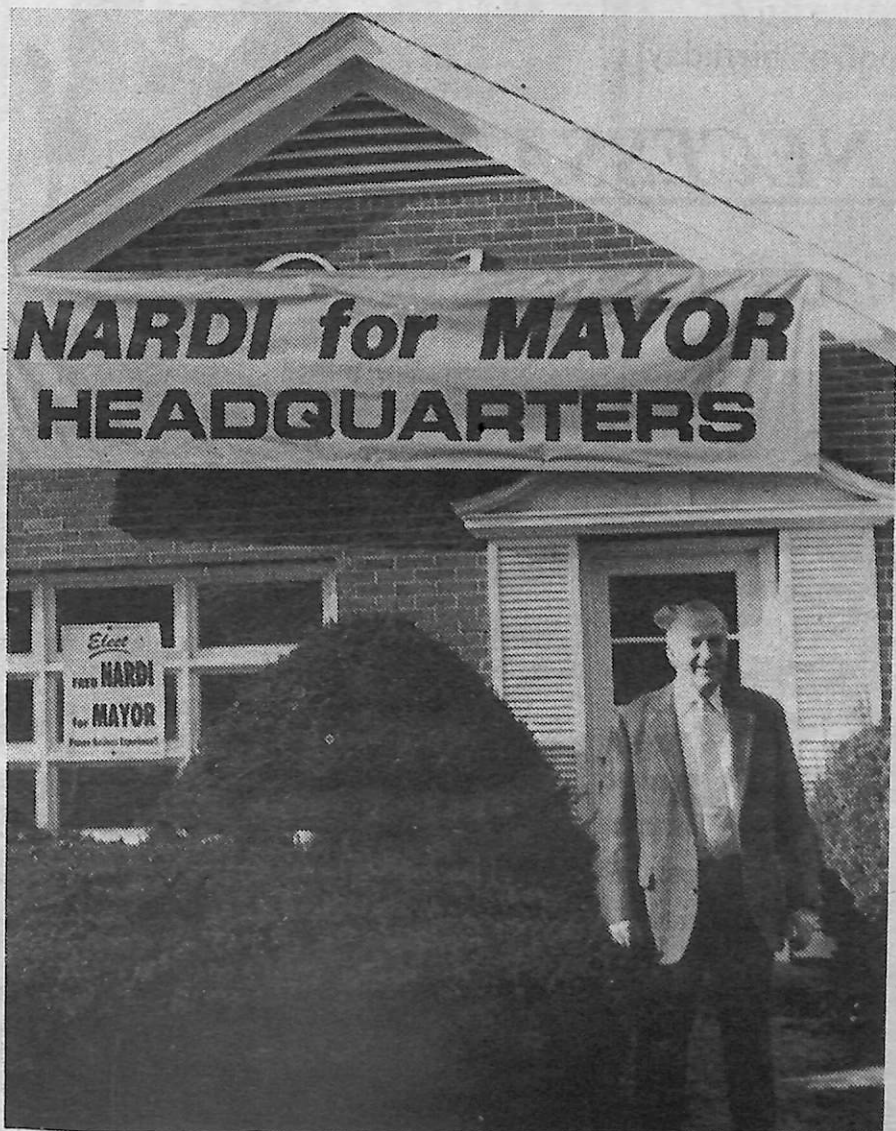
third readings of the ordinance should not be further delayed.

Voters here overwhelmingly approved a referendum calling for the replacement of the appointed town manager with an elected mayor in last November's election.

When he resigned under fire last September 30th, then suspended Town Manager Reid S. Charles was receiving an annual salary of \$52,000.

The preliminary election for mayor is scheduled for Tuesday, March 28th, and the general election is slated for Tuesday, May 2nd.

Nardi Opens Headquarters



MAYORAL CANDIDATE FREDERICK NARDI poses in front of his campaign headquarters, located on Main Street, Agawam Center. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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AGAWAM SELECTS A MAYOR - Continued...

Johnson Proud Of The Education He Received In Agawam

Attorney Christopher C. Johnson, a candidate for mayor, expressed his support for public education in the Agawam schools.

"One of the areas of critical scrutiny amongst the mayoral candidates will be their positions on education. I am a graduate of Agawam High School, and a product of the Agawam School System.

"As a result of the education I received in the Agawam Public Schools, I was able to go on to be a graduate with honors from both college and law school. I am very proud of the education I received in the Agawam schools. During my childhood, my parents instilled in me the value of a good education. I believe the most important function of local government is to provide its children with the best education possible.

"While in law school I had the opportunity to return to the Agawam School System as a substitute teacher. This experience gave me an appreciation of our schools from the other side of the desk.

"As a student, I thought that the teachers were great. As a substitute teacher, my admiration of our faculty and staff grew even more. I learned just how challenging teaching is, and I realized how hard our teachers work.

"I believe one area of growing importance in education is computer technology. I strongly support the present program of obtaining computers for classroom use from elementary school right on through high school. We must continue this program, and build on it to provide our children with the highest level of 'computer literacy' possible.

"Everyday it grows more apparent that we live in a computer oriented society. In order for our kids to effectively compete in tomorrow's workplace, we must stay on the leading edge of computer education.

"Another area of concern for many parents is the drug and alcohol abuse in the schools. I applaud the drug programs which we presently have in our schools. Programs exist in all the school levels, such as Peer Leadership Group in the high school, Student Assistance Program in the junior high and high school, D.A.R.E. in the Agawam Middle School, and 'Here's Looking at You 2000 Drug Curriculum' in the elementary schools.

"I commend the faculty and staff for their heightened awareness of the problem, and their work to eliminate it. We must continue to provide our children with the cold facts about drugs and alcohol. The best way to keep drugs and alcohol out of our schools is by educating our children so they may 'just say no.'

"Education must be viewed as the most important service provided by the Town of Agawam. We must constantly strive to improve our educational system. I have some high school students working on my campaign staff, and I am impressed by their intelligence, creativity, and dedication.

"They have shown me that our schools are doing a great job, and I will work hard to insure that our schools continue to receive the support necessary to keep providing our children with the best education possible," Johnson concluded.

Bonavita Urges Candidate Forums

Attorney Anthony C. Bonavita, candidate for mayor of Agawam, called for at least four one night, one subject candidate forums to be scheduled March 1st and March 28th.

Bonavita stated, "The citizens of Agawam are entitled to know where each candidate stands on the issues facing Agawam. During my campaigning, the major areas of concern voiced to me by citizens are education, land use/environment, finance, and elderly affairs.

"I urge the many civic and social organizations of Agawam to take the initiative to establish these forums."

He urges the other candidates to join him in bringing these important issues before the public.

In conclusion, he stated, "It is my hope that by suggesting a series of debates on specific subjects at this time, all candidates will have ample time to arrange scheduling and agree to a format."

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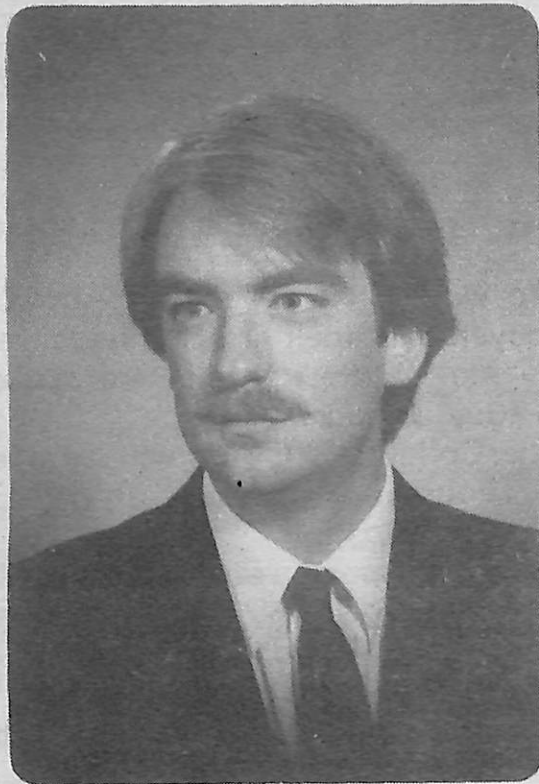
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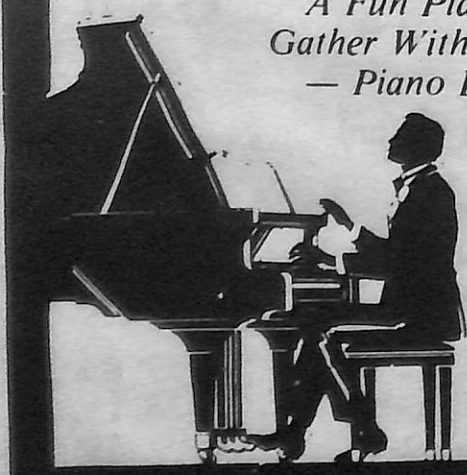
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Agawam Police Blotter For Week Ending Jan. 15th

On January 9th, **Barry Binnenkade**, 23 Squire Lane, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Ben Moore and Mike Gruska.

On January 9th, **Mark Cusson**, 269 Maynard Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with violation of a restraining order. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Eric Camerlin.

On January 11th, **Gary A. Melbourne**, 75 Brookline Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Longmeadow Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were James Lewis and Robert Landers.

On January 11th, **Patrick D. O'Brien**, 60 Paris Street, East Boston, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. He was arrested by State Police and transported to the Agawam lockup.

On January 14th, **Jeffrey Smith**, 6 Vassar Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding State Police warrant.

On January 14th, **Jeffrey D. Black**, 84 Fuller Road, Ludlow, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Chicopee Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Mike Gruska.

On January 14th, **Tammy Regnier**, 128 Amherst Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien and Mike Gruska.

On January 15th, **Mark Langlois**, 7 Front Street, Chicopee, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Palmer Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Gary O'Brien, Mark Poggi, and Don Gallerani.

Town Tax Deadline!!!

We would like to remind Agawam taxpayers that their first half fiscal year 1989 real estate tax bills are due on Thursday, January 19th.

The Collector's Office will be open extra hours on Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Payment received after January 19th will be charged 14 percent interest from the mailing date of the bills.

The Collector's Office will return to their regular hours after January 19th, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Agawam Crime Prevention...

Car Theft

by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

Car theft is a widespread problem. Within the U.S. alone, a car is stolen every 28 seconds. This totals out to well over a million cars a year. This results in increased accidents, economic loss, higher insurance premiums, as well as the inconvenience of having to be without a car.

In order to prevent auto theft, we must involve ourselves in actively protecting our cars against intrusion. Attitudes and actions will play a key role in preventing damage and misuse.

Eighty percent of all cars stolen last year were left unlocked. Believe it or not, 40 percent of those were left with the keys in the ignition. If we simply lock-up and pocket the keys, most amateurs won't bother trying to get in. It's much easier for them to "shop around" for an easier mark.

In addition to locking-up, we can roll the windows up tight, and replace standard door locks with the slim tapered kind. These locks are next to impossible to pull up with a coathanger.

Simply following the above three precautions will noticeably lessen chances of your car being stolen. Below are some other suggestions for making vehicles more secure.

1. When parking in the driveway, position your car with the nose facing the street. In this way anyone tampering with your engine can be more easily seen.

2. Never leave the car running. Many amateur car thieves hang-out at convenience stores just waiting to grab an unattended vehicle. Let's not simply give our car away.

3. When parking on the street, turn wheels sharply left or right. This will make it difficult to tow the vehicle away.

4. Park in well-lit areas and if you are to be away for

any length of time, disconnect the rotor from the distributor.

Anti-theft devices can deter or delay thieves. The more time-consuming and obvious a theft can be made, the more likely the thief will go elsewhere. Hood locks make it difficult to get at the engine and engine parts. Fuel shut off blocks the flow of gasoline to the carburetor until a hidden switch is tripped.

Alarm systems are sometimes costly. However, the expense can be offset by a substantial yearly saving on insurance premiums. Alarms are positioned in the engine to set off a bell, buzzer, horn, or siren if any attempt is made to enter or tamper with the vehicle.

Try to choose a system with its own power source and be sure it shuts off and resets automatically, after six to 10 minutes. Get a demonstration before you buy so as to insure that you understand the workings of the alarm. Have it correctly installed by someone with experience in the field.

In addition to protecting your vehicle, contents must also be considered. Carry as few articles as is necessary, especially if the vehicle is to be left unattended for any length of time. Lock packages in the trunk or at least put them out of sight under the seat.

When travelling, never leave valuables in the car while staying in a hotel/motel. Engrave your name or social security number on special accessories such as C.B. radios and stereos. Put locks on them where possible.

In order to help put car thieves out of business, we must demonstrate common sense, vigilance, and a determined effort to thwart them at their every attempt.

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Parade Of Boys Continues For Rheaults

Rheaults, Rheaults, and more Rheaults.

For proud grandparents Don & Joanie Rheault of Mill Street, Feeding Hills, the string of boys coming in and out of their home has now reached nine.

You see, Don and Joanie had three boys - Michael, Brian, and Scott. Now, the latest Rheault arrival, grandson Caleb, born December 29th, at Baystate Medical Center-Wesson Unit, gave the Rheaults six grandchildren to go along with their three boys.

Proud parents of this new bruiser are Brian & April Rheault of 618 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. Brian & April's son weighed in at 9 pounds, 10 ounces, and measured 22 inches long.

Brian & April's two other sons are Matthew, 4, and Christopher, 2½.

Proud maternal grandparents of Caleb's are Howard & Shirley Hadden of Agawam, who are also old pros at the grandchildren business - 13 granddaughters and six grandsons.

Brian & April are both graduates of Agawam High School.

Pageant & Talent Show Workshop At Annmarie's

Annmarie's Dance Place Plus/Studio of Modeling and Finishing will be holding a workshop on "How To Prepare For Pageants And Talent Shows" on Sunday, January 29th, at 7:00 p.m., in Annmarie's Feeding Hills studio.

The event is for young women, ages four to 19. Pageant, wardrobe, hair, and makeup technique will be discussed. Also, applications for the Miss Junior America Pageant will be available at the workshop.

Speaker is Carol Pieper from Seneca Enterprises, Bangor, Maine. She is a professional beauty and fashion consultant. Also, Miss Junior Maine Pre-Teen America will be an honored guest.

This program is open to the public and will give all participants an opportunity to meet new friends and make memories to last a lifetime.

The cost is \$25 for one adult and one contestant to attend. Please call or stop by at Annmarie's before January 26th to register. For further information, call 789-3385 or 734-8784.

Cupid's Dinner Dance Set At Elks Lodge Feb. 4th

The Cupid's Dance Committee of the West Springfield-Agawam B.P.O.E. 2174 will hold a Cupid's Dinner Dance on February 4th. This will be a semi-formal affair. Social hour will be from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., with dinner and dancing to follow. Tickets will be \$12.50 per person. It will be held at the Elks Lodge, 429 Morgan Road, West Springfield.

Chairwoman is Jeannine Nolds, assisted by Frances Haas, Patti Jolicoeur, Diane Brooks, Ruth Bennett, Agnes Hanna, Darlene O'Connor, Sandy Ryan, Dottie Noe, and Ann Beggetta.

Tickets may be obtained from the committee or at the West Springfield-Agawam Elks, 736-0207. All reservations must be made by January 27th.

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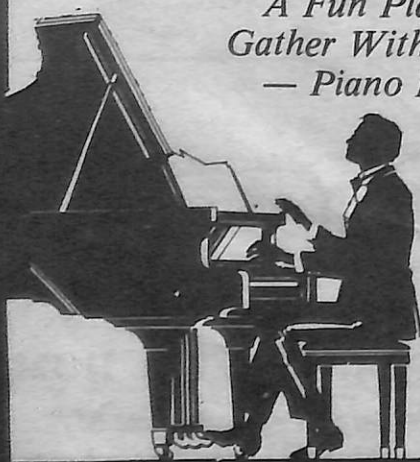
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CAROLINE BASSETT (right), representing the Agawam Lioness Club, presents a check for \$100 to Catherine Touchette of Radio Reading Service of Western New England. Located on Baldwin Street, West Side, this station provides a service to the blind and persons who for some reason can no longer read for themselves. Looking on is Kathleen Turnbull (left), production director. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Jr. Women's Club Slates Valentine's Day Dance

Saturday, February 11th, is the date for the Agawam Junior Women's Club Valentine's Day Dance, at the Springfield Turnverein, 176 Garden Street, Feeding Hills.

Come rock to the music by M & B DJ's from 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Door prizes, 50/50 raffle, and snacks

will all be part of the evening's enjoyment. There will also be a cash bar available. Tickets are \$6 per person and will be available at the door or from any club member. Call Rhonda, 786-1198, for more information.

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AGAWAM CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB members, from left - Lucille DesLauriers, Helen Lenihan, and Melba Drewnowski are about to be seated at the club's recent Pot Luck Supper held at St. John's Parish Center. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Angela Provost Engaged To Wed Joseph Beavis, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Brunelle of Moseley Avenue, Westfield, announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Provost to Joseph Beavis, Jr., son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Beavis, Sr. of Feeding Hills.

The bride-to-be is also the daughter of Ralph Provost of Chicopee.

Ms. Provost is attending St. John's School of Business.

The future groom attended Agawam High School, and is employed at PSI in Westfield as a machinist. A June wedding is planned.

Agawam Women's Club Sets Covered Dish Supper Jan. 23rd

The Agawam Women's Club will meet at the Captain Charles Leonard House, Main Street, Agawam, Monday, January 23rd, at 6:30 p.m., for a covered dish supper.

Shirley Goss and her hospitality committee, Jessie McMahon, Vivian Roberts, and Eleanor Toussaint will provide desserts, and other club members will bring casseroles or salads. The invocation will be given by Alice Stepat.

The business meeting will be followed by an evening of fun and games. Members may bring games they would like to play.

Heritage Hall Sends 50 Patients Home

As a direct result of the Functional Evaluation and Treatment Unit headed by Vincent Barnaba, M.D., Heritage Hall in Agawam has discharged more than 50 patients to return home. This figure accounts for 36 percent of the nursing home admissions to the unit since April 1988.

Many of the patients who have gone home may otherwise have become dependent on nursing home care. Other patients are being accommodated in facilities which offer a higher level of independence, such as retirement or congregate housing, or more independent nursing facilities.

Heritage Hall, owned and operated by Genesis Health Ventures of Pennsylvania, responded to a decrease in government spending on hospital care for the elderly. Many patients admitted to hospitals cannot stay long enough to recuperate before being discharged. These same patients may not always be candidates for long-term nursing home care. The Functional Evaluation and Treatment Unit meets the needs of these people on an individual basis.

A team of specialists give each patient a comprehensive work-up upon admission to the unit. A care plan is then implemented and may involve physical, occupational and speech therapy, special nursing care, and social service programs. The patient and their family's input is considered an important part of the evaluation process. The average length of stay in the unit is five weeks, and within that time, discharge plans are made.

Further information and an opportunity to interview staff and patients and their families will be made available to the press.

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Sunday, January 22nd
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Academy of Artistic Performance
Community Shops, Feeding Hills Center
Noontime to 5:00 p.m.

Monday, January 23rd
Covered Dish Supper
Agawam Women's Club
Capt. Charles Leonard House
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, January 24th
OPTIONS: Support Group for widowed
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Spotlight On Business

Crossroads Furniture Under New Ownership

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Crossroads (Unique Gifts & Fine Furniture) is being reorganized under new management, or rather, one-half of the former management team.

Larry Rinaldi of Feeding Hills and his wife, Shirley, are now sole owners of **Crossroads**, located at 5 North Westfield Street, at the four corners, Feeding Hills Center. The Rinaldis purchased the entire operation in December and have already launched extensive plans to revitalize the shop.

The Rinaldis, lifelong Agawam residents, offer classic furniture and home accessories in their multi-level, historic store; the rich ruby tones of cherry dining room and bedroom sets; the warm country look of

Chesapeake Oak; and cushy, wingback chairs and overstuffed sofas in traditional and classic lines.

Lining the second level hallway is an extensive collection of clocks, especially grandfather clocks of all styles and finishes, to suit every taste.

A selection of oriental and woven rugs are scattered room by room throughout the building, as are the extensive selection of prints and paintings. For example, **Crossroads** carries limited editions of Cate Mandigo Americana prints.

The Rinaldis plan to expand their gift line, adding many accessories that are already available. The new

owners also plan to create entire furnished rooms - a country room of oak pieces with stenciled walls (displaying appropriate lamps, wall-hangings, and other "country items") that will give the prospective buyer a visual array of ideas and settings.

The rooms will range from the casual to the most formal, and will be developed over the coming season.

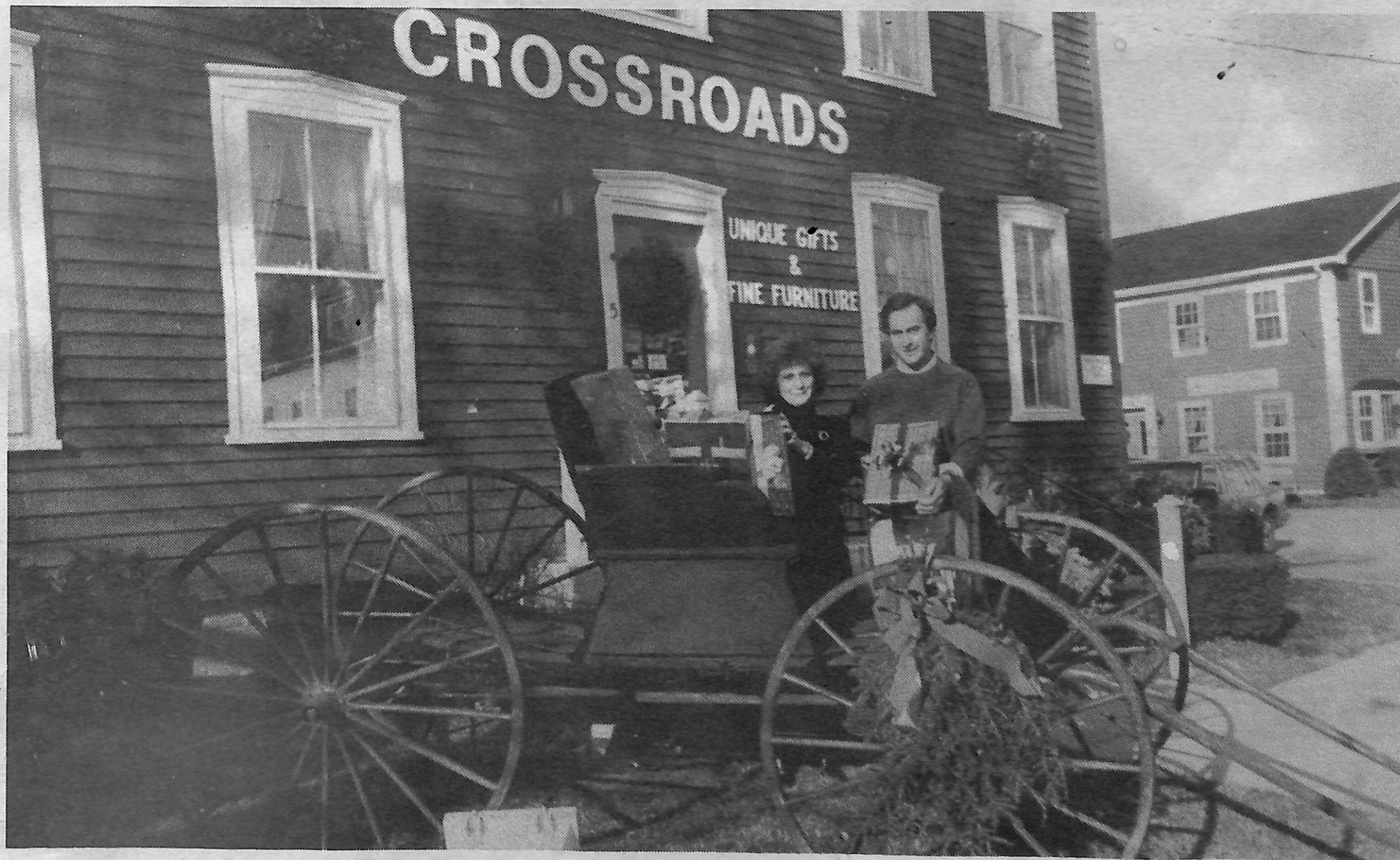
A Grand Re-Opening is planned for late February.

The Crossroads Shop is open Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 5:00 p.m.

Phone inquiries can be directed to the Rinaldis or their staff by calling **786-6667**.



DINING AND LIVING ROOMS, both casual and classic, are no problem and very affordable at Crossroads Furniture Store, Feeding Hills Center. Store employee Larry Rinaldi, son of owners Larry & Shirley Rinaldi, is pictured at right. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



PROUD NEW OWNERS of Crossroads Furniture, Feeding Hills Center, are Larry & Shirley Rinaldi of Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Spotlight On Business - continued...

Furniture Galore



PATRICK SHEEHAN is a familiar face around the Crossroads Furniture Store in Feeding Hills. See Pat for great buys this weekend. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Sebastian I A Stylish Beauty Salon

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

It's a lovely shop with an art-deco style, tucked around the corner when you first enter the Walnut Street Extension shopping area from the Food Mart side.

Sebastian I Beauty Salon, which opened just a year ago, has two stylists available for everything from shampoo and blowdry styling to perms.

Owner Diane Mazza, who is not a hairdresser, decided to go into self-employment and created **Sebastian I**, the first of what Mrs. Mazza hopes will be several outlets at some point down the road.

Mrs. Mazza hired Feeding Hills resident Pat Melloni to manage the salon, and recently added stylist Danuta Maklary to the staff. She has several more openings available in this six-booth salon.

One unique service provided by Mrs. Mazza and **Sebastian I** is pick-up and delivery...off their customers. If you can't get to your hairdresser, **Sebastian I** will

come and get you! It just doesn't get any simpler than that.

A second bonus - for senior citizens, is that "every day is senior citizen's day at **Sebastian I**." They offer gift certificates, too.

The setting at **Sebastian I** is quietly dramatic. White wallpaper emblazoned with black and grey-toned flowers, accented with black enameled mirrors, provides a bold yet somehow quiet environment.

Grey vases with sprays of jet black grasses are artistically displayed to their best advantage. While not overly large, the space is efficient, well-organized, and ready to accommodate each client's individual needs.

Sebastian I's address is 330 Walnut Street Extension. The hours are Monday through Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

To call for an appointment, dial **786-6718**.

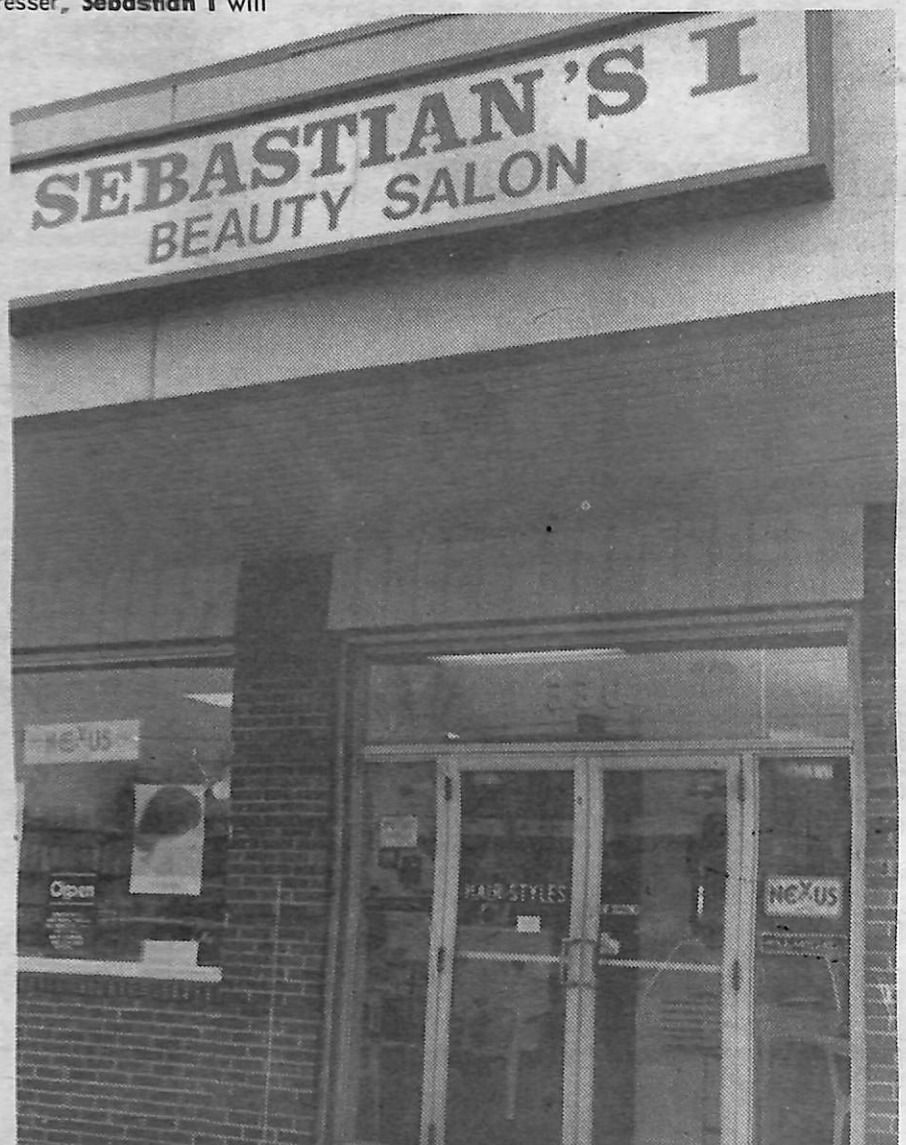
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PAT MELLONI of Feeding Hills, manager/hairdresser, puts Karen Calvanese under the dryer at **Sebastian I**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SEBASTIAN I hairdresser Danuta Maklary gives owner and operator Diane Mazza a quick once-over before the shop was to open last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SEBASTIAN I is located at 330 Walnut Street Extension, Agawam. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PAT MELLONI (left) is the manager of **Sebastian I**, and Diane Mazza is the proud owner and operator. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

At Annual Inaugural Ceremonies... Bergeron President Of Board Of Realtors

Charles Bergeron who was elected 1989 president of the 1,600 member Greater Springfield Board of Realtors was officially installed during the Board's 74th annual inaugural ceremonies January 6th, at the Carriage House of Storowton Tavern in West Springfield.

Other officers installed were Thomas F. Lyons, as president-elect; Audrey G. Simonds as vice-president; Joseph P. Albano as treasurer; and Dorothy Lortie as secretary.

Bergeron, a realtor from Wilbraham, has been a member of the Board of Realtors since 1974 and is manager of Coldwell Banker Trend Realty in Springfield. A licensed broker in Massachusetts, he is a member of both the Massachusetts and National Associations of Realtors.

Bergeron has been active at all levels of the association throughout his career. He has served as chairman of the Commercial and Investment Division, chairman of the local Realtor Political Action Committee, trustee of the state Realtor Political Action Committee, state director for the Massachusetts association and director of the local board.

As the 1988 vice-president, he traveled throughout the area speaking on real estate issues, such as affordability and housing policy and represented the board at various state and national conventions.

This year he has been appointed a member of the Government Spending & Taxation Subcommittee of the State & Municipal Legislative Committee for the National Association of Realtors.

Bergeron has been an active voice in promoting education and public awareness in the field of real estate. He has been a visiting lecturer of real estate and business at American International College and Springfield Technical Community College. In addition, he is a graduate of The Realtors Institute and has been an instructor of the Broker's course for the Board.

As president, Bergeron will serve as a link between the Board of Realtors, its membership, and the public. His primary responsibility is to see that the aims and goals of the association are carried out.

He served as a selectman for the town of Wilbraham and a member of their Planning Board and Personnel Board. He is a past-director of the Wilbraham Counseling Center, a member of the Wilbraham Lions Club, and the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce.

The Greater Springfield Board of Realtors serves 23 cities and towns in the Greater Springfield area. It is a member of the Massachusetts and National Associations of Realtors, the largest trade association in the United States, and has been serving the area since 1915.

He and his wife, Jane, reside at 725 Stoney Hill Road, Wilbraham.



BRITTANY ELIZABETH LAURINO

Laurel & Jim Laurino Announce Birth Of Daughter

Laurel & Jim Laurino of 17 Forge Street, Feeding Hills, became the proud parents of a daughter, Brittany Elizabeth, born November 30th, 1988. She weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces, and was 20½ inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Roberta Meissner of 115 Campbell Drive, Agawam, and William Meissner of 20G Mansion Woods Drive, Agawam.

Paternal grandparents are the late Jelsomino Laurino and Laura Laurino of 44 Plantation Drive, Agawam.

Choreography Exchange At N.E. Health & Racquet Club

On Sunday, January 22nd, New England Health and Racquet and IDEA (The International Dance-Exercise Association) will be co-hosting a Choreography Exchange for area dance-exercise instructors.

"This event will bring lots of new ideas for instructors to take back to their classes as well as being a terrific way for the teachers in our region to get to know one another and learn the value of networking. We all have something that we can share and learn from one another," says Andrea Woodman, IDEA's Massachusetts state representative.

The Choreography Exchange will take place at New England Health and Racquet, 155 Ashley Drive, West Springfield. Registration is at 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$20. For further information, call Andrea Woodman, 562-5937.

Innovative Program Unveiled At Heritage Hall

The elderly are the largest growing segment of our population. This group, with its increased incidence of illness, uses a significant portion of available health care resources. Patients are being transferred from hospitals to nursing homes with more acute medical problems than in the past. Many of these patients have functional limitations which require immediate and comprehensive treatment. These patients and their families are often unprepared to handle the effects of catastrophic illness, functional loss, and decisions about alternate living arrangements.

As a way of addressing these multi-faceted problems, an exciting and innovative program has been recently introduced at Heritage Hall Nursing Home. This new concept to treatment of the elderly within a nursing home, is the Functional Evaluation and Treatment Unit.

A majority of the referrals to the Unit come from hospitals in the Greater Springfield area. All Medicare and skilled (level II) patients are candidates for admission to the Unit. Hospital social service and discharge planners and attending physicians, receive information about services the Unit can provide.

The care offered is completely individualized according to each patient's needs. Pertinent medical and

social information is provided to the nursing home Admissions Coordinator, Peg Dunphy, and reviewed by Unit Director Vincent Barnaba, M.D.

Once approval for admission is received, the patient is transferred to the unit. Heritage Hall-East building houses the Functional Evaluation and Treatment Unit.

The primary goal for each patient admitted is to reach the greatest functional level possible. Patients can receive physical, occupational and speech therapy as well as many other services. Two full-time social workers maintain a close relationship with the patient and family. This helps to ease the adjustment process, and facilitates discharge back to the home or other setting.

Nurses are also an important part of the treatment team. They encourage patients to use what they have learned in therapy, and deliver the hands-on medical care necessary for the patient's maximum comfort.

To date, 149 patients have been discharged from the Unit. Fifty-four have returned home, and a large number maintain residence in a more independent environment. On-campus patient transfers are facilitated because staff communication allows for a smoother transition by the patient to home or other setting.

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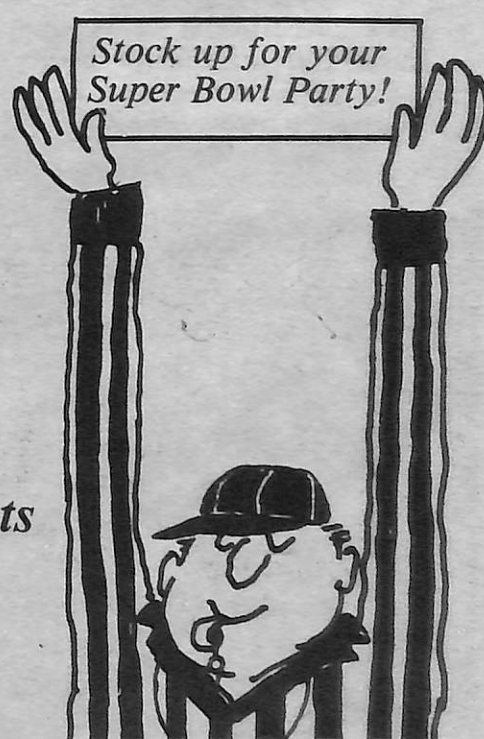
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Agawam Obituaries

Mary E. Conway

Mary E. (Morgan) Conway, 61, of 320 Cooper Street, Agawam, died Saturday, January 14th, in Mercy Hospital. She was a science and literature teacher at St. Thomas the Apostle School, West Springfield, teaching seventh and eighth grades.

Born in Boston, she was a former 25-year resident of West Springfield, moving to Agawam in 1964. She was a 1944 graduate of Cathedral High School, and a 1948 graduate of Elms College, majoring in chemistry.

She was a member of the Catholic Women's Club, a volunteer at Birthright of Pioneer Valley, the Western Massachusetts District of the College Club, the Development Office of Elms College, and the Springfield YMCA. She was a board member of the World Affairs Club, Springfield.

She was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, and taught Confraternity of Christian Doctrine there. She was a volunteer for Catholic Charities Stewardship Appeal.

She leaves her husband, Donald P. Conway; six sons, Morgan P. of Granby, Connecticut, Donald of Los Angeles, Joseph R. of West Springfield, Dennis J. of Corona del Mar, California, Andrew M. of San Francisco, and Francis D. of Agawam; four daughters, Carolyn E. Conway, and Martha Savello, both of Clearwater, Florida, Suzanne M. Conway of Boston, and Elizabeth M. Conway of Agawam, and four grandchildren. Another daughter, Mary Alice, died in 1982.

The funeral was at Toomey O'Brien Funeral Home, and in the church, with burial in the parish cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Thomas School Development Fund, 47 Pine Street, West Springfield, MA, 01089.

William F. Delano

William F. Delano, 65, of 132 South West Street, Feeding Hills, a retired 43-year machinist at the former American Bosch Company, died in Mercy Hospital, Springfield. He retired in 1986.

Born in South Deerfield, he moved to Feeding Hills 32 years ago, and was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church. He was a member of the Polish Club and the West Springfield Fish and Game Club, and a charter member of the West Springfield-Agawam Elks Club.

He leaves his wife, the former Mary Kosack; two sons, Donald F. of Norwalk and Raymond F. of Boston; two brothers, John of West Springfield and James of Westfield, and a sister, Dolores ViVenzio.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Monson Developmental Center, in care of Patient Accounts, Drawer F., Palmer, MA, 01069.

John R. Driscoll

John R. Driscoll, of 58 Bessbrook Street, Feeding Hills, a retired salesman for Diamond Saw of Chaffee, New York, died at home. He retired in 1981.

Born in Springfield, he lived in Agawam for 40 years. He was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, and a graduate of the High School of Commerce in Springfield.

He leaves his wife, the former Ann Kiernan; a son,

John R. Jr. of Ludlow; a daughter, Deborah A. Driscoll of Grafton; a sister, E. Margaret Lessard of Springfield, and three grandchildren.

The funeral was at T.P. Sampson Company's Chapel of the Acres and in the church, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 57 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA, 01040.

Caesar A. Raimondi

Caesar A. Raimondi, 78, formerly of Haverhill Drive, Detroit, Michigan, died in a local nursing home. He was a former 50-year assistant manager for the Country Club of Detroit.

Born in Springfield, he lived most of his life in Detroit. He was a member of the American Legion, Detroit. An Army veteran of World War II, he received a Purple Heart for wounds suffered at the battle of Normandy during D-Day. His wife, the former Margaret Watts, died in 1968.

He leaves three brothers, John C. of Springfield, Louis C. of Chicopee, and Joseph G. of Florida.

The funeral was at Toomey O'Brien Funeral Home, and in St. Ann's Church, West Springfield, with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 57 Suffolk Street, Holyoke, MA, 01040.

James N. Reynolds Jr.

James N. Reynolds Jr., 76, of 7 Clove Hill, Wethersfield, Connecticut, the retired president of William E. Wright Company, a West Warren home-sewing products firm, died in a Hartford nursing home.

He was also a former vice president of Gulf & Western Corporation of New York City and Butterworth Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia. He was a specialist in industrial production, planning and control. He retired in 1975.

Born in Longmeadow, Reynolds lived in Agawam for 60 years. He was a graduate of the University of Massachusetts, and attended Northeastern University. He moved to Connecticut in 1975.

He served as chairman of the Agawam Business Development Commission, and founded the Agawam Little League, and initiated the Big Brothers Club of Agawam. He was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church in Agawam, and was a director of the former Third National Bank and Taylor Rental Corporation.

He was a member of the National Association of Accountants, and wrote and lectured extensively on production techniques.

He leaves his wife, the former Inez Lucardi; a son, James N. III of Wethersfield; a brother, George L. of Agawam, and four grandchildren.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Joslin Diabetes Center's Memorial Research Fund, P.O. Box 497, Brookline, MA, 02111.

Pearl W. Sinclair

Pearl W. Sinclair, 93, of 124 Main Street, Agawam, a retired teacher for the Springfield and West Spr-

ingfield school systems, died in Baystate Medical Center. She taught at the Kings Highway School in West Springfield and also in the Tapley Street School of Springfield, later retiring from the Glickman School of Springfield in 1962.

Born in Westbrook, Maine, she lived in Springfield most of her life, moving to Agawam two years ago. She was a member of the First Congregational Church of West Springfield, the Springfield Women's Club, Music Club, and the Retired Teachers Association.

She leaves a sister, Irene Ross of Galveston, Texas, and a friend, Doris Haynes of West Springfield.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones West Springfield Funeral Home with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery, Westbrook. Memorial contributions may be made to the church, Park Street, West Springfield, MA, 01089.

Irene Smarse

Irene (Gauthier) Smarse, 85, of 61 Cooper Street, Agawam, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

Born in Manchester, New Hampshire, she moved to the Springfield area in 1930, and lived in Feeding Hills for many years. She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills. Her husband, John A. Smarse, died in 1970.

She leaves four sons, Robert P. of Westfield, Paul of Georgia, Clarence R. of Agawam, and Gordon of Ormond Beach, Florida; two daughters, June J. Dowling of Feeding Hills and Julie I. Robtoy of Windsor Locks; two sisters, Jeanette Banville of Feeding Hills and Minnie Niemic of California; 19 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

Edith E. Wainwright

Edith E. (Connaughton) Wainwright, 78, of 361 Cooper Street, Agawam, died in a local nursing home.

Born in Northampton, she grew up in Springfield and attended local schools there. She was a five-year resident of Agawam. She was member of Union Church, Springfield. Her husband, Harold Wainwright, died in 1987.

She leaves a son, Robert D. of Easthampton; a daughter, Nancy J. King of Feeding Hills; a brother, Frank of California; a sister, Vera Irwin of Springfield; nine grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

The funeral was at the Agawam Funeral Home, with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery.

Ann F. Weyers

Ann F. (Bathaway) Weyers, 93, of 176 Meadow Street, Agawam, a retired weaver for the former Strong Hewatt Company of Clarksburg, died in Providence Hospital, Holyoke.

Born in Clarksburg, she lived there and in North Adams before moving to Agawam in 1982. She was a former communicant of St. Francis of Assisi Church in North Adams. Her husband, William R. Weyers, died in 1968.

She leaves several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at Flynn and Dagnoli-Montagna Home for Funerals and in the church, with burial in Southview Cemetery, all in North Adams. Calling hours were held at the Agawam Funeral Home.

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Deborah Ann Morassi To Wed Mark LaMotte Of Hampden

Mr. & Mrs. John A. Morassi, Jr., of 550 Cooper Street, Agawam, announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Ann Morassi, to Mark LaMotte, son of Mr. & Mrs. Rodney LaMotte of 21 Martin Farm Road, Hampden.

The future bride graduated from Agawam High School and Elms College, Chicopee. She is employed as a science teacher at Agawam Junior High School.

Her fiancé graduated from Minnechaug Regional High School, Wilbraham, and is employed by the City of Springfield.

A May 6th wedding is planned.



ROBERT & EMILY CECCHI

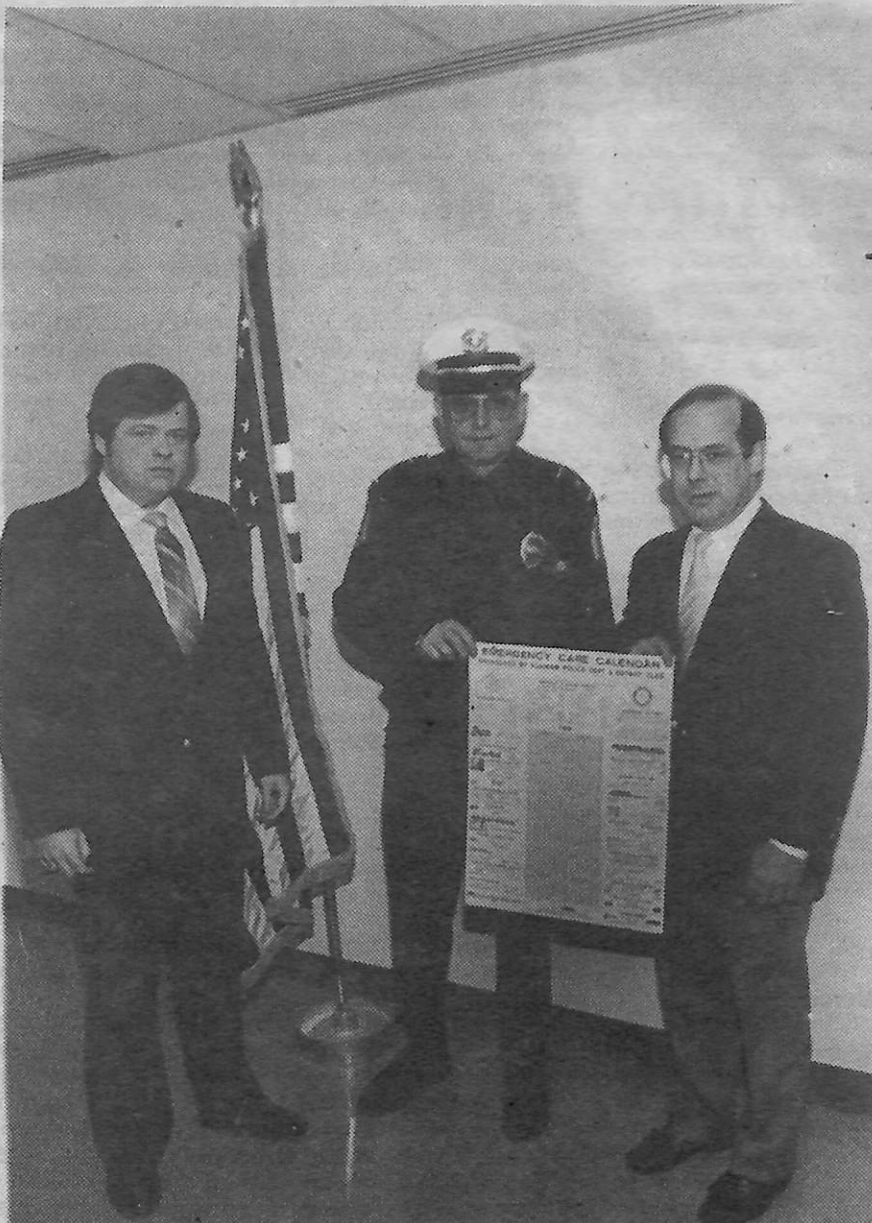
Robert & Emily Cecchi Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Robert & Emily Cecchi of 1109 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, recently celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with a dinner at Casa Di Lisa.

Attending were their parents, Anna Cecchi and Helen & Ted Dynia. Also attending were their sons, David, and his fiancée, Laurie Martin; Bobby; Michael, and his girlfriend, Michelle Chidister.

The couple also received a weekend in Martha's Vineyard as a gift from their children.

Rotary-Police Have Calendars



THE AGAWAM ROTARY CLUB is issuing its Annual Emergency Care Calendars in cooperation with the Agawam Police Department. The Police Department issues the calendars to all Agawam businesses. Calendars are available to the public through calendar advertisers and at the Agawam Public Library. Pictured above with the 1989 calendar are, from left - Lt. Robert Campbell, Rotary Club publicity chairman; Sergeant Alfred Longhi, safety officer; and Geoffrey MacDonald, president, Agawam Rotary Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

ALL THE HOMETOWN NEWS WITH US!

Sons Of Norway To Meet

Sons of Norway, Neptune Lodge 3-552 will hold its next meeting and installation of officers for 1989, Friday, January 27th, at 8:00 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1552 Westfield Street (Route 20), West Springfield. All persons interested in Norwegian culture are welcome.

For further information call Jean Cook, 562-1338, or Virginia Davidson, 562-9674.

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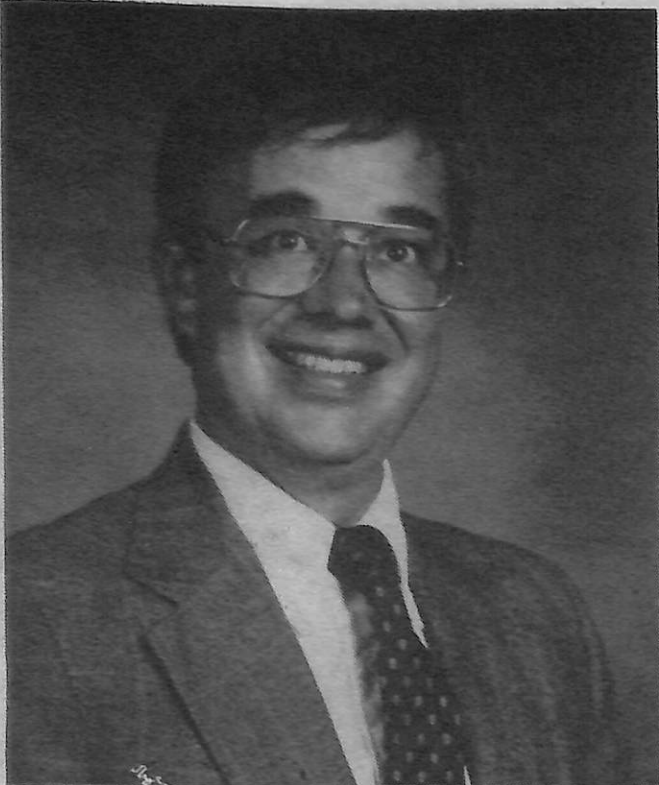
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MICHAEL D. DOBISE

Michael D. Dobise of Feeding Hills, the district deputy assigned to John F. Kennedy Council of Agawam announced, "The Massachusetts Knights of Columbus are honoring the local Catholic clergy in their new membership drive this year with the theme "Share the Spirit."

The K of C is a Catholic organization founded by Father Michael J. McGivney in 1882 and was named after Christopher Columbus, the discoverer of North America. Currently, the Knights have 1.45 million members in North America and the Philippines who conduct programs of service to Church, country and fellowman.

The Knights of Columbus "Share the Spirit" through the \$10 million "Vicarius Christi" Fund, whose earnings each year go to Pope John Paul II for his personal charitable purposes.

Since 1982, more than \$8 million has been donated. The K of C brings Pope John Paul II to the world through its "Satellite Uplink" Program each year by providing for the televising of the Christmas Mass and the papal ceremonies during Holy Week.

A few years ago the Knights of Columbus underwrote the entire cost of the renovation of the facade and statues at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome.

Dobise continued, "the Massachusetts Knights of Columbus are proud of all the charity work we do through our annual "Tootsie Roll" drive on Columbus

Day. We have a simple philosophy that every child, regardless of race or religion, deserves to live as normal a life as possible."

Ken Hodge, the former Boston Bruins star and now the Executive Director of Massachusetts Special Olympics said of the K of C last year, "Without your help, without your dedication, your efforts, and the time and energy that you spent in order to gather these funds, the Massachusetts Special Olympics Training Facility would still be on the drawing board—still, only a dream."

The K of C State Charity Fund awarded \$150,000 to the establishment of the new Special Olympics training center in Hathorne.

Since 1977 the K of C has donated more than \$3 million to assist handicapped children and the mentally disabled.

Dobise concluded, "The Knights of Columbus must remain strong and vibrant if we are to continue more of these good works. We need more new members. We invite any Catholic man 18 years or older to join our council by calling Grand Knight Gerald Spaman at 782-4768.

The Massachusetts district deputies including both Michael D. Dobise and Stephen E. Wisniewski, also of Feeding Hills, together with the state officers and program chairmen met this past weekend at the Sheraton Tara Hotel in Framingham.

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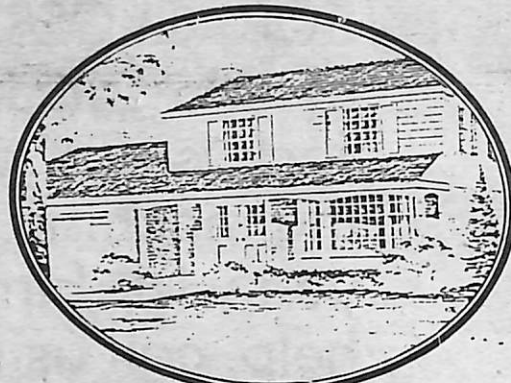
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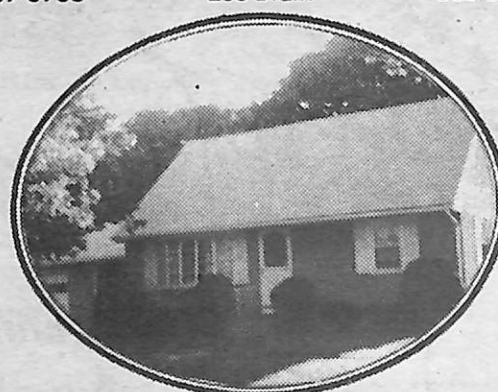
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Early Families Of The Capt. Leonard House Part II Of A Series

Hannah Kent Bodurtha

The earliest account of Hannah Kent Bodurtha and the Captain Charles Leonard House is to be found in Aunt Fan's notation requesting that Mercy Leonard's sister, Lucretia Remington Kent, allow her daughter, Hannah, to reside with the Leonard family in Agawam. Presumably, the Leonards were still living at the David White residence.

The records show that Hannah was born on July 25th, 1791, and died on May 5th, 1876, having married Stephen Bodurtha on October 25th, 1824. Herein is the connection between the Leonard family and the Bodurthas.

Obviously, Hannah's parents consented to her coming to Agawam and living with her aunt, Mercy Leonard. At the tender age of nine in the year 1800, Hannah came to Agawam to live.

We can only imagine the trials and tribulations of such a young girl leaving her family and friends to take up a new life in what was still a rural frontier. What uncertainties must have been imagined by this child of nine. One must wonder if her mother or father had accompanied the young girl on the journey to a new life!

Again, the stakes were high and without doubt, Hannah's parents must have realized the importance of such a move, considering the fact that the Leonards had promised to leave their property, at the proper time, to Hannah (thus allowing for some future recompense or dowry to the young child).

It would appear that Hannah visited her family during these earlier years. Perhaps, members of the family visited in Agawam. The fact remains that Hannah continued to live out her lifetime with her aunt and uncle until their very last days, after which, at age 33, she married Stephen Bodurtha of Agawam on October 28th, 1824.

Needless to say, there is a certain irony in the fact that Hannah, after spending what would seem to be the best years of her young life caring for Uncle Charles and Aunt Mercy, the once promised dowry was not to be hers.

Still, there is no evidence that Hannah had ever forsaken her aunt and uncle. Rather, she remained to the end caring for Aunt Mercy until her death on January 28th, 1819.



A Letter From Cousin Charlotte Munn

The fact that Hannah must have taken a temporary leave from the Leonard household can be found in a copy of a letter dated December 22nd, 1817. It is from the contents of this letter that we can assume that Hannah had visited with relatives who resided in Springfield, Pennsylvania.

Apparently, the letter was written by Hannah's cousin, Charlotte Munn (perhaps on the Leonard side of the family), on behalf of her ailing aunt, Mercy Leonard.

We provide the entirety of this letter since it displays an earnest affection between Mercy Remington Leonard toward her niece, Hannah.

In the words of Charlotte Munn: "Dear Hannah—...most despairing of hearing from you again. And much fearing some woeful accident had befallen you at length to our infinite satisfaction we have received your letters—and you know not—you cannot have

an adequate idea of the pleasure it gave us for we was particularly anxious about you—being informed after you was gone of the terrible road you had to travel through—therefore, you will not doubt of the pleasure we felt at hearing you had arrived at the end of your tedious journey in safety and that you found all your friends in good health.

"I figure to myself an Idea of your happy meeting oh: it was gay unutterable too big for...(description) a scene too tender to admit of words...glad to hear you was so much pleased.

"My dear girl we was with the country in which your present residence is—hope while there you will spend your time most agreeably—have not the misfortune to be caught by any wild beasts nor have your affections so fixed on any two legged creature as to alienate your Heart from us—and Induce you to settle in that Country—no my dear Hannah you must not think of any such thing—but return here the first favorable opportunity...don't be frightened at the sound of old maid tis a most...sound I confess—yet there are those who often have had that sound tingle their ears—yet they live and move and have a being.

"Your Cousin Charlotte for instance—oh:—that I hate all powerful...which will rise Superior at all times in spite of Sorrow and the all trying...of this mortal life—yes at times it will beat down all before it—and make the most miserable unhappy creature in existence for A short time forget her Sorrows be they ever so great—I presume ere this you have discovered the author of this epistle—and the unhappy author most commonly endeavors to lock her own sorrows in her bosom—and bear all in Silence—knowing it troublesome and in vain to complain and although misfortunes is apt—very apt to make one plaintive yet alas:—I have none to complain to there is none who feel any ways interested—no I stand alone—but no more of this—

"I write this my dear cousin for your Aunt (Mercy Leonard) and myself—She feels anxious about you—She is one of your best friends—and ever feels solitious for your happiness—She and we all possess our usual health—and desire—our love may be acceptable to you—to your brother, Sister and all the friends that are dear to you. Do write on the receipt of this and we will write you all the news which is now ex-istant—farewell my dear Cousin—Heaven bless you with Its best Its choicest gifts—this is the sincere prayer

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OFFICIALS ATTENDING the January meeting of the 14th District are, from left - Grace Stirlacci, 14th District director; Evelyn Mogue, president, Agawam Women's Club; and Dorothy Schwendenmann, president, 14th District President's Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ALL SMILES AT THE January meeting of the 14th District Past President's Club are Agawam Women's Club members Doris Maule, Laura S. Coppola, and Maria Hanner. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Women's Club Hosts 14th District Past Presidents

The Agawam Women's Club was the host club for the January meeting of the 14th District Past President's Club of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Following the board meeting, a luncheon was served in Bodurtha Hall of the Agawam Baptist Church.

A history of the Agawam Club was given by Evelyn Mogue, president.

This year, the Agawam Women's Club celebrates its 63rd year. Ernestine Perry organized the club in 1926. It also joined the State Federation of Women's Clubs in 1926, followed in 1929 by joining the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Its object and goals being mutual helpfulness, the advancement of public welfare, and the promotion of the civic and cultural interests of the women of Agawam. Its successes in these objectives and goals have been in contributions, influences, and perennial events.

These contributions influenced Minerva Davis to leave the Captain Charles Leonard House to the club when she died, but has and is maintained by a Board of Trustees.

Among the Agawam Women's Club's contributions, influences and perennial events were:

- Affiliation with state and national clubs, and supportive association with the Junior Women's Club.

- Complementing and aiding in town projects such as the Dental Clinic and the Visiting Nurse formation.

- Formation of study groups such as literature,

public affairs, world affairs, and drama.

- Friendship Teas, honoring Senior Citizens among women of the town. These are still a semi-annual event.

- Improvement and development of the Year Book to include names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the members and the club by-laws.

For a period of time, when they were needed, the club held parties for youngsters at Halloween.

They helped establish a Mother-Craft group.

It has and does award scholarships.

It maintained an attitude of help and support for town, state, and national needs as evidenced by the all-out support of the War effort in the following ways:

1. Contribution to the First Aid Kitchen for Britain.
2. Adoption of a British War Orphan.
3. Contribution for Greek War Relief.

The club has had a Veteran's committee for many years which continues its contribution to those who served their country. The members make and fill ditty bags for distribution to veterans of the Holyoke Soldier's Home. The bags are filled with articles like toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, writing paper, stamps, and playing cards.

The club's latest project is the Hazardous Waste Project. It was organized in 1987, acquainting residents of all hazardous chemicals, how to substitute them with safer ones, and how to dispose of them. In addition, a Hazardous Waste Collection day was held and with the cooperation of the town and other civic organizations,

was a tremendous success.

The history of the Agawam Women's Club would not be complete without the Club Collect.

In 1947, Mrs. H. Preston Worden (Nathalie Mounton) wrote the club's collect.

It is printed annually and is as follows:

*"As we become quiet within, during a moment of reflection—
May we sense the significance of our presence together."*

*We gather seeking knowledge—
In our minds may it turn to broad viewpoints and sound thinking."*

*We gather for fellowship—
In our hands may it express belief in responsibility for one another the world over.
We gather for renewal of the springs of laughter—*

*In our faces may we reflect the joy of living.
And so may we fulfill our women's part in this world—*

*With wisdom and friendliness, service and joy.
Believing that in the mind of God—
This is true worship."*

The club presently has 58 members and meets monthly September through April at the Captain Charles Leonard House, the April meeting being the Annual Banquet. The ages of the club membership range from 40 to 85.

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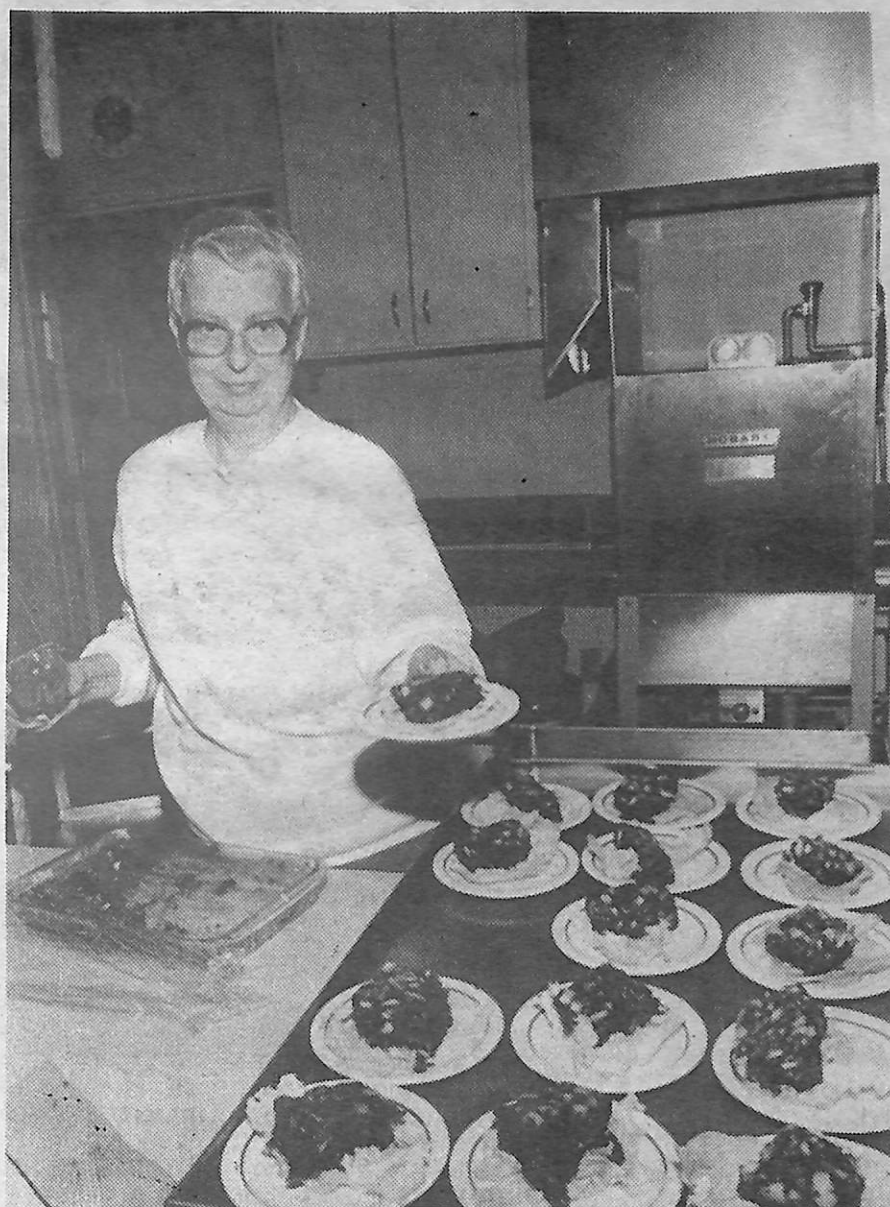


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AT THE JANUARY meeting of the 14th District Past President's Club, hosted by the Agawam Women's Club, Lorraine Royer was diligently working in the kitchen serving dessert. (Related story, photos on Page 25). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Heritage Hall Nursing Home News & Activities

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK Julia Lenart Szady

Julia Lenart Szady was born June 3rd, 1901 in Chicopee Falls. She attended and graduated from the local school system. Julia married Kazemierg Szady and they continued to reside in Chicopee Falls. They had three children—one son, Alfred, who is deceased, and two daughters, Theresa and Evelyn.

Julia was employed by Chicopee Manufacturing, a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson Baby Products. She was a superb cook and took pride in making her home a warm and enjoyable place to live. Julia enjoyed shopping and attending the symphony, movies, and various outings in her younger years.

She is a warm, friendly person and is always wearing a smile. Julia continues to lead an active life at Heritage Hall participating in her favorite programs. She also enjoys many visits from her devoted daughters.

Heritage Hall is pleased to have Julia as a member of its family.

Artist Pauline Gibbs Donates Painting

On Monday, January 16th, Heritage Hall East resident Pauline Gibbs and art instructor Ted Crowley presented an oil painting of St. David's Episcopal Church to Reverend Len Cowen and his family.

Mrs. Gibbs, a long-time resident of Agawam, has been painting in Ted's class for 1½ years.

In the summer of 1988, she entered one of her paintings in a community art show at the Jewish Community Center and won third prize. Her award and painting are proudly displayed in the lobby of the East building.

Mrs. Gibbs, who has been a member of St. David's for many years, has been working on the painting since last fall and was thrilled to finally present it to the church.

Rev. Cowan, who has been kept up-to-date on the progress of the painting each time he came to the nursing home for services, stated that he would unveil the painting at his next monthly meeting. He and his family expressed gratitude to Pauline and Ted for their time and efforts.

Springfield Kennel Club Visits

Residents of Heritage Hall East and children from the Heritage Hall Day Care recently spent an enjoyable afternoon with the members of the Springfield Kennel Club and their dogs.

Led by Gladys Dykstra, owners worked with the dogs in putting them through their paces. The dogs demonstrated jumping ability as well as obedience to both audible and silent commands.

After the show, the dogs visited with the residents



JULIA LENART SZADY
"Resident of the Week"

and children, being petted and praised for their good work.

Happy New Year 1989!

Remember when getting ready for a house party involved removing all breakables, moving furniture, and rolling up the rug? Well, we didn't exactly roll up the rug, but we sure did cut one!

Streamers and balloons were all over the place, and we passed the hats and the noisemakers. Hot hors d'oeuvres and cold drinks were served and the party began.

Music was supplied by Tom Bilodeau on the accordion. Toes tapped and the party went into full swing! There were a few waltzes, a ring dance by the Zingarelli family, and a conga line led by our friends Elizabeth Burk, Elizabeth Pond, and Delores Schneider.

Our party was a happy send-off to 1988, and a delightful welcome to 1989!



FREDA SOBEL entertains at Heritage Hall Nursing Home, West Building, on the piano. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Laughing Brook Offers Two Winter Weekend Trips

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, is offering weekend trips this winter to explore two very distinct Massachusetts environments. Pre-registration is required a week in advance of each trip.

Cape Cod Winter Weekend, Friday, January 27th, to Sunday, January 29th. Discover the rugged beauty of the Cape in winter as Massachusetts Audubon's Tom Tynning introduces the ecology of the outer Cape. Enjoy sunrises over the Atlantic, deserted beaches and quiet saltmarshes. Observe winter wildlife such as scoter and eider plus impressive numbers of harbor seals. Owling and stargazing will round out the weekend. Accommodations are at a quaint bed and breakfast. Fees are \$160 for Massachusetts Audubon members, and \$200 for non-members.

Berkshire Winter Ecology Weekend, Friday, March 3rd, to Sunday, March 5th. Immerse yourself in a weekend of winter ecology set in the heart of the Berkshires. Early morning and evening workshops led by Tom Tynning will provide tools to understand snow crystals, winter trees and shrubs, animal signs and animal behavior. The warmer parts of the day will be spent hiking or snowshoeing to several beautiful spots to practice newfound skills. Accommodations are at the Trustees of Reservations' Field Farm Lodge. Fees are \$160 for Massachusetts Audubon members, and \$200 for non-members.

The fee for each trip covers a full weekend of programming, transportation once at the program site, lodging and all meals. An information sheet with a complete itinerary and directions will be sent after registration.

For further information on these programs or for a copy of our current program brochure, call Laughing Brook, 566-8034.

Oil Painting Of St. David's Church Donated



THE REV. LEN COWAN (left), pastor of St. David's Church, stopped by Heritage Hall Nursing Home (East Building) to accept a lovely oil painting of his church done by resident Pauline Gibbs. Holding the painting with Pauline is Ted Crowley, painting instructor. (STORY ON PAGE 27). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

PHOTOGRAPHER JACK DEVINE is another reason why you turn our pages every week. Agawam's "Man About Town" needs at least 48 hours notice if you wish for him to appear at your event. Jack Devine is a true community resource.

Attend Sunday Services January 22nd, 1989

"For I am convinced that nothing can ever separate us from His love. Death can't and life can't. The angels won't, and all the powers of hell itself cannot keep God's love away." *Romans 8:38*

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As a growing number of people enter the senior citizen category, we must include regular chiropractic care to insure them a higher level of health.

Medex Subscribers Can Upgrade Their Coverage

Medex subscribers are being given the opportunity to upgrade their coverage to Medex Standard or Medex 3. Through a mailing, they have been informed that if their first quarter 1989 bill has a due date of January 1st, 1989, their application must be received by February 1st, 1989, and coverage will begin April 1st, 1989.

Those with a first quarter Medex bill due date of February 1st must have their application received by March 1st, 1989 and their coverage will begin May 1st, 1989. Those with a March 1st, 1989 due date must have their application received by April 1st, 1989, and their coverage will begin June 1st, 1989.

Great Strides In Field Of Dentistry

by Dr. Stephen Jacapraro
1379 Main Street - Agawam

Forty years of progress in dentistry has resulted in dramatic improvements in the oral health of Americans and enormous savings on dental health care costs according to the Massachusetts Dental Society, which will observe its 125th Anniversary in 1989.

Scientific breakthroughs, improved dental equipment and techniques, and increased consumer information efforts are responsible for these benefits. Following are among the major innovations which have marked the past four decades and some directions for the future.

***Fluoride is considered** to be the single most effective weapon against tooth decay. In 1948, the mineral was proved to prevent cavities by strengthening tooth enamel. Now it is available in toothpastes, mouthrinses, tablets, topical applications, and fluoridated water supplies.

Today, about 60 percent of Americans drink fluoridated water and half of school age children have never had a cavity. Currently, scientists are researching a time-release fluoride pellet which would bond to a tooth and allow continuous absorption of fluoride over six months.

***Plaque Removal** became paramount in the 1960's, when researchers isolated the bacteria in plaque as the cause of tooth decay and periodontal (gum) diseases. Preventive techniques include physical removal of plaque by brushing and flossing and use of chemical anti-plaque toothpastes and mouthrinses to control infections.

Today, dentists are also using antibiotics to treat some forms of periodontal disease and dental scientists are seeking a vaccine to prevent tooth

decay—similar to vaccines against measles, mumps, and polio.

***Sealants** are additional preventive measures that were created in the early 1970s and are strongly recommended by the Massachusetts Dental Society. Sealants are plastic coatings applied to the tooth's chewing surfaces to fill microscopic pits and fissures in children's developing permanent molars. Recently, sealants have been combined with time-release fluoride to strengthen tooth enamel and remineralize areas which show early signs of decay.

***High speed drills** have been important innovations in dentistry, and when coupled with fast-acting anesthetics, have removed the pain, and accompanying fear, of a trip to the dentist. In 1950, ball-bearing handpieces reached speeds up to 50,000 rpms. Then, air-driven turbine handpieces introduced in 1957 reached 300,000 rpms. Today's drills make quick work of decay, reaching speeds of 800,000 rpms. There are also chemical compounds which can dissolve small areas of decay now in use in a few dental offices. Lasers may replace drills in the future. Experimentally, concentrated laser beams are being used to eradicate decay, smooth pits and fissures, and clean root canals.

***Patient information** and education have made important contributions to the decrease in tooth decay and are now being employed to fight gum diseases. Programs like National Dental Health Month, now celebrating its 40th year, have made the public aware of the importance of good daily hygiene and regular professional care. Today, the majority of Americans understand that teeth are intended to last a lifetime and, with good habits, developed early in life, they will.

S.T.A.R.T. EXERCISING

by Patrick Carley - S.T.A.R.T. Therapist, Feeding Hills

DEAR S.T.A.R.T.:

As the snow season approaches, I agonize with the memories of last year's strained back muscles. Are there any smart tips I should remember to S.T.A.R.T. shovelling safely?

Dishoveled

DEAR DISHOVELED:

Although back injuries are sometimes the accumulation of months or even years of poor posture, poor body mechanics, lack of flexibility or a general lack of physical fitness, they can also be brought on by sudden, simple movements. You can S.T.A.R.T. taking an active role this winter in preventing shoveller's stress.

The key to keeping a healthy back is maintaining good balance in your spine as much of the time as possible. This is especially important when you're repeatedly, lifting a 5-7 pound shovel of snow. Back muscles, like any other muscles, need time to rest when

fatigued. Unfortunately, many people forget this fact when they are so intently committed to clearing that driveway!

The following tips will help your back avoid discomfort and shake the shoveller's blues.

1. Use a lightweight shovel.
2. Use a diagonal lift (put one foot ahead and one foot behind) to get the weightload in close to your body.
3. Maintain a wide, balanced base of support.
4. Lift with your legs and come fully upright (bend your knees, not your back).
5. Pivot with your feet; do not twist your torso.
6. Where possible, push the snow to the sides rather than lifting it up over your shoulder.

Hopefully, this year you can get the best of your driveway, instead of it getting the best of you. In the meantime, let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

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Vision Loss Blamed On Degeneration

by Dr. Richard Gallerani
Optometrist-Crossroad Shoppes

The major cause of central or reading vision loss in persons over 50 in the United States is **macular degeneration**.

While macular degeneration rarely causes total or "black" blindness, it frequently causes "legal blindness." Most macular degeneration is related to aging and is irreversible, but many cases can be helped with laser treatment if caught early. The following information is provided by the New England Ophthalmological Society in order to aid in public education about macular degeneration.

How Macular Degeneration Affects Sight

The macula, the tiny central portion of the eye's retina, is responsible for finely detailed vision and must be healthy to allow reading and good "straight ahead" vision. If there is degeneration or damage to the macula, the person may lose central vision, but the peripheral retina still provides side vision. For this reason, persons with age-related macular degeneration usually have "useful" vision.

Age-related macular degeneration starts with the appearance of drusen (dry) or aging spots on the retina. An advanced and serious form results when degenerative change leads to the growth of new abnormal blood vessels which leak or rupture readily (called "wet" age-related macular degeneration). Blood and leaking fluid causes scarring and permanent damage. If caught early, this type of problem is helped by laser treatment, which can seal off the abnormal blood

vessels and retard the progression of damage.

Symptoms

Macular degeneration can cause different symptoms in different people. Sometimes only one eye loses vision while the other eye continues to see well for many years. If both eyes are affected, however, reading and close-up work may become extremely difficult. Special devices and lenses known as low vision aids can maximize the use of healthy remaining retina, thus allowing the person with this type of macular degeneration to lead a relatively normal life.

Macular degeneration can be detected and diagnosed early if periodic eye examinations are part of health care. Early detection is important since people may not realize their vision is impaired. Having your eyes checked is especially appropriate if other family members have a history of retinal problems. For patients with macular degeneration, early diagnosis by an ophthalmologist may prevent further damage or aid the individual in making a visual adjustment with low vision aids.

At Home Test For Macular Degeneration

A simple test for macular degeneration is an Amsler grid. By testing one eye at a time, distortion or irregularity of the lines of the grid may suggest a macular problem previously unsuspected. Persons over 50 should have regular eye examinations by an ophthalmologist, especially if there is a family history of eye problems.

Providence Hospital Has Sibling Classes

The Center for Women's Health at Providence Hospital will be sponsoring two upcoming Sibling Classes on Monday, January 23rd, and Monday, February 13th.

"The Sibling Class is designed for children aged two to 14 years-old and can help them feel a whole lot more secure about the new baby," said Alice Hodge, coordinator of Family Health Education at the hospital.

The class gives an opportunity for the children to share their feelings about a new baby through discussion and a special story-time.

The program also includes a tour of the Family Birthplace, where the new baby will be born. A class photo is taken and posted on the hospital's nursery window so big brothers and sisters have a chance to see a photograph of themselves when they come to see the baby for the first time.

Information is also provided to parents as to how they can make the adjustment for their children more positive. The class is taught by Mary Elkas, M.S., of Westfield.

The Sibling Class is held once a month and a modest fee is charged. Pre-registration for the program is required. For more information regarding the Sibling Class program, please call Alice Hodge or Sally Howland, Family Health Education coordinators at The Center for Women's Health. They can be reached at 539-2950, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Arts

Phil Benoit's 10 Stinkers Of 1988

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

* 10TH PLACE - MAC AND ME:

A sickeningly sentimental rip-off of *E.T. - the Extra-Terrestrial* in which a family of mysterious alien creatures (a.k.a. Macs) accidentally travels to Earth, and how the youngest of these beings from outer space is eventually befriended by a wheelchair-bound little boy (newcomer Jade Cauley).

Mac and Me wound up on this list because it's nothing but sci-fi schlock which was financed by the McDonald's chain of restaurants and, consequently, boasts the shamelessly conspicuous feature film debut of that patron saint of "fast food," Ronald McDonald. However, I must say that this picture was given a run for its money by *Vibes*, a supernatural romantic comedy with rock singer Cyndi Lauper. But, in the end, the gaudy nature of Miss Lauper's hair, clothes, and makeup was a bit easier to stomach than the unbelievably shoddy special effects that were used to create *Mac and Me's* laughable alien creatures.

* 9TH PLACE - MY STEPMOTHER IS AN ALIEN:

While *Mac and Me* is an example of juvenile science fiction at its worst, *My Stepmother is an Alien* represents adult-oriented, extraterrestrial excrement that should be permanently lost in space. Starring Dan Aykroyd as an Earth-bound astronomer who falls in love with a sexy E.T. played by Kim Basinger, this mess of a movie is replete with tacky humor which tries - but pitifully fails - to humorously depict the sexual practices of human beings.

My Stepmother is an Alien gave off the scent of being such a stinker that people stayed away from it in droves; unfortunately, those filmgoers who had the misfortune of seeing it witnessed the fact that it marked Mr. Aykroyd's fourth cinematic fiasco of 1988, with the other three being *The Great Outdoors*, *Caddyshack II*, and well, if you want to know the title of the remaining one, you'll just have to be patient and continue reading this article.

* 8TH PLACE - A NIGHT IN THE LIFE OF JIMMY REARDON:

When I saw this picture, it certainly wasn't a good night in the life of Phil Benoit. Essentially a bottom-of-the-barrel variation on the first-rate *Ferris Bueller's Day Off*, the flatulent flick chronicles the amorous adventures and family squabbles of an oversexed high-school graduate (River Phoenix) who longs to woo a girl (Meredith Salinger) with whom he's hopelessly infatuated.

A Night in the Life of Jimmy Reardon, I presume,

was supposed to be a comical examination of the trials and tribulations of teenage love, yet its featherweight plot is imparted with the kind of intense solemnity that's usually reserved for a Shakespearean tragedy. Mind you, don't think for one moment that I'm in any way comparing this movie to the serious-minded plays of William Shakespeare; after all, what signifies the Bard of Avon is one thing, and what constitutes the Barf of Hollywood is something else altogether.

* 7TH PLACE - THE UNHOLY:

A foolish and woefully flawed demonic thriller dealing with a young Catholic priest (Ben Cross) who is assigned to a haunted New Orleans church and ultimately has a showdown with Satan himself.

Featuring, as well as wasting, such talented and highly reputed performers as Cross (*Chariots of Fire*), veteran character actors Ned Beatty (*Switching Channels*) and Hal Holbrook (*Wall Street*), and the late, great Trevor Howard (*Superman: The Movie*) in his last role, *The Unholy* leaves the viewer feeling as cursed as the story's aforementioned church.

Of course, the curse which its audiences experience has nothing to do with the Devil, but is the handiwork of the film industry itself. And, as any regular moviegoer knows all too well, this cinematic hex results in the harrowing realization that you've wasted your precious time and hard-earned money on a bad picture.

* 6TH PLACE - THE COUCH TRIP:

If the name Dan Aykroyd creates a sense of déjà vu in you, then you've obviously read the preceding portion of this article wherein I noted his ill-fated participation in *My Stepmother is an Alien*.

Now, at this point, the onetime star of *Saturday Night Live* must be mentioned once again, this time in regard to *The Couch Trip*, his foremost turkey from last year. In this embarrassingly inept farce, he hams it up as a lunatic who escapes from a mental institution, impersonates a psychiatrist, and lands a job as the host of a popular radio talk show.

Though he is the only performer to appear more than once on this list of my 10 worst films of 1988, I do not consider Aykroyd to be a genuinely lousy comedic actor; in fact, I loved his work in both *The Blues Brothers* and *Dragnet*. Nonetheless, when he makes garbage, it is difficult to remember that he does indeed have much talent.

* 5TH PLACE - HALLOWEEN 4: THE RETURN OF MICHAEL MYERS:

Were you expecting the return of Michael Myers? For that matter, did you WANT the return of Michael Myers?

For those of you who can't recall his name, the character of Michael Myers was the masked, superhuman villain who went on a killing spree in the original *Halloween* picture back in 1978. And, to mark the 10th anniversary of his first appearance, he returned to our theaters last fall in a gratuitous and worthless sequel to continue his bloodthirsty assault on hapless victims.

While the first *Halloween* chiller was a decent and consistently scary movie, its enjoyable qualities have since been totally offset by the plethora of rotten imitators which have come down and keep on coming down the road - namely, junk such as *Halloween 4* and the *Friday the 13th* flicks.

Speaking of which...

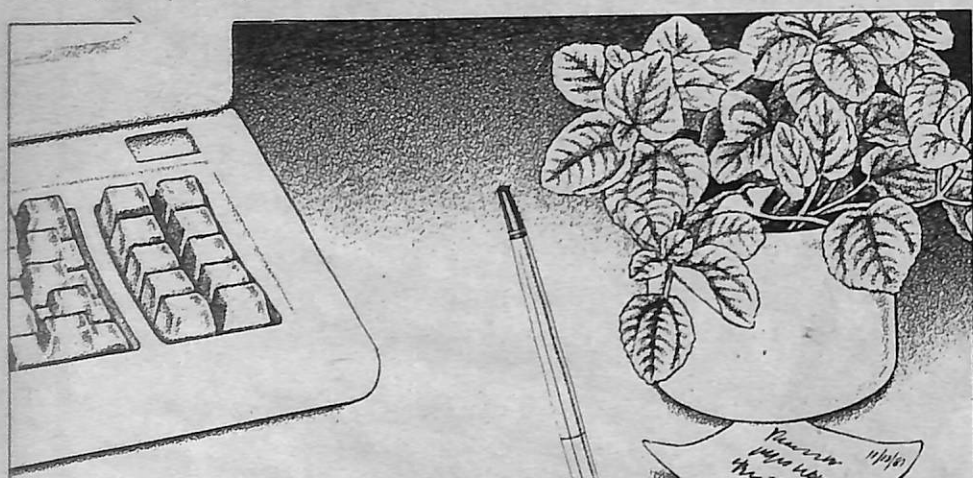
* 4TH PLACE - FRIDAY THE 13TH, PART VII - THE NEW BLOOD:

Although an annual list of Hollywood's catastrophic contributions would seem incomplete without the inclusion of a *Friday the 13th* film among its ranks, I am looking forward to the day when such a thing will become a reality.

It is subtitled *The New Blood*, but *Friday the 13th, Part VII* is just old hat. Neither better nor worse than any of its (can you believe it?) six predecessors, the latest installment presents us with the same sort of mind-numbing and sadistic nonsense which has been the hallmark of these pictures ever since the original one first came out during the summer of 1980.

The question is, when will this series of tawdry thrillers end? Personally, I have no idea, for as long as they keep on making money, these movies will be cranked out. And, as long as they're around, I'll make it a point to highlight each new one in this yearly article.

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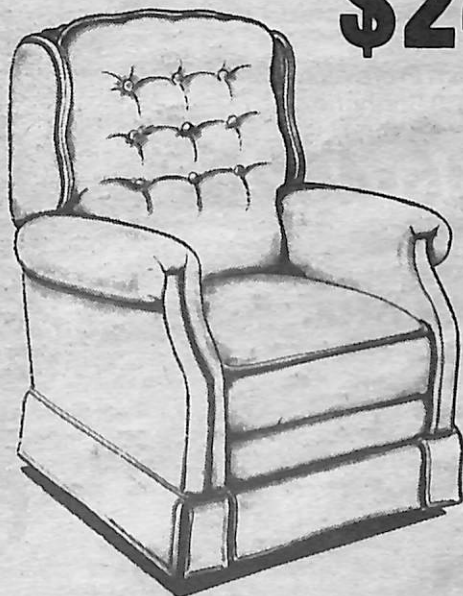


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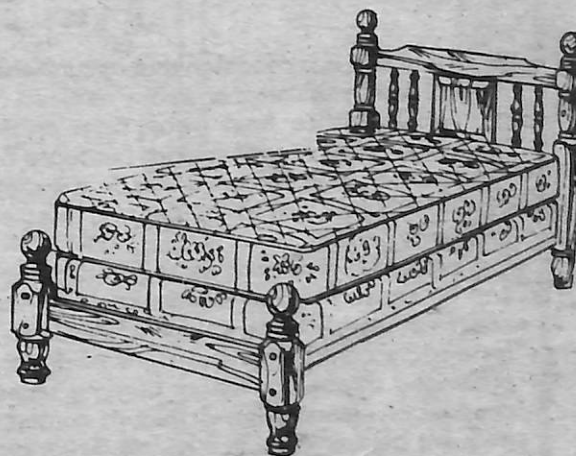
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*** 3RD PLACE - SHAKEDOWN:**

On the whole, action-oriented crimes dramas are farfetched stories which ask you to suspend your disbelief in order for you to enjoy them; to put it another way, they require that you leave your brains at home before you go to a movie theater and see them.

Yet, in the case of *Shakedown*, leaving your brains at home is not enough - instead, getting yourself a complete lobotomy would be more in order.

With Peter Weller and Sam Elliott as, respectively, a burnt-out lawyer and a renegade private eye who join forces to battle police corruption, *Shakedown* is shockingly preposterous and ludicrous slop that typifies the career of its creator, James Glickenhaus, a low-grade director who's never appeared on this list in previous years because his earlier endeavors, *The Exterminator* and *The Soldier*, were rinky-dink productions that were not bad enough to mention.

*** 2ND PLACE - DEAD HEAT:**

Not to be confused with Arnold Schwarzenegger's *Red Heat* or Clint Eastwood's *The Dead Pool*, this dreadfully dumb dud stars dramatic actor Treat Williams and comedian Joe Piscopo as a pair of Los Angeles police detectives who discover that a series of bizarre robberies are being committed by once-dead criminals who've been brought back to life by a revolutionary scientific procedure.

Reminiscent of both *Lethal Weapon* and George A. Romero's "zombie" chillers (*Night of the Living Dead*, etc.), *Dead Heat* mixes lame humor and silly action sequences with relentlessly disgusting special effects, and the end result is the kind of ridiculous trash which you'd expect to see at the wee hour of 4:00 a.m. at a seedy, all-night drive-in.

However, I can think of an even more appropriate place where the film belongs, and this locale would be most suitable for "flushing" it from my memory.

*** 1ST PLACE - SUNSET:**

Before he hit box-office pay dirt with last summer's *Die Hard*, Bruce Willis laid a really noxious egg with *Sunset*, a disastrous blend of comedy and mystery in which silver-screen cowboy Tom Mix (Willis) teams up with the legendary Wyatt Earp (James Garner) to solve a murder in 1929 Hollywood.

Shoddily directed by the usually competent Blake Edwards (the *Pink Panther* pictures), this little-seen movie is an unentertaining, out-and-out bungle in every respect. Its historically implausible story is occasionally confusing and always boring, the humor is forced and lackluster, and most of the performances are strained and not particularly convincing.

Sunset was doomed to flop because its studio, Tri-Star Pictures, released the film with little publicity and fanfare, thereby suggesting that this movie company knew it had a big bomb on its hands and, thus, wanted to alert as few people as possible about this humiliating fact.

Suffield Players To Hold "Little Shop" Auditions

Open auditions for the Suffield Players' spring production, "*Little Shop of Horrors*," will be held at 7:00 p.m., February 5th and 6th, at Mapleton Hall, Mapleton Road, Suffield, Connecticut.

Parts are available for men and women. Actors should bring a prepared musical piece and be prepared to take an elementary dance audition.

The Suffield Players are also seeking an experienced puppeteer to operate the several plant marionettes used in the production.

"*Little Shop*" will be directed by Ted Levine. Production dates are May 11th, 12th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 26th, and 27th, at Mapleton Hall. For additional information, call 569-0318.

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Modern Lights 3-D Show At Science Museum

Get ready for an unforgettable adventure in perception when the 3-D Show jumps out and grabs you at Sunday Spectrum's celebration of "*Modern Lights*" on January 29th, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., at the Springfield Library and Museums, corner of State and Chestnut Streets. All of the free activities will explore the world of light and sight.

The 3-D Show, a thrilling multimedia slide show, will be presented by Aubrey Productions of New York City at 1:30 and 3:00 p.m., in the Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium. The program introduces the science, art and history of 3-D and gives the audience an appreciation for what our eyes are capable of perceiving. Each person in the audience will be treated to a pair of 3-D glasses to take home after the show.

At the Science Museum at 12:30 p.m., learn about forces, light and color with the biggest and smallest bubbles you've ever seen at "Dr. Bubbles," a hands-on workshop presented by the Science Circus. Square bubbles, bubble tetrahedrons, bubbles inside bubbles, and a wide variety of bubblemakers will fascinate visitors of all ages. Youngsters can take home a recipe to make their own bubbles later on.

Springfield artist Bill Myers will present a neon sculpture demonstration from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., in the Museum of Fine Arts. Myers, who is currently building a permanent installation for the Children's Museum in Holyoke, transcends the traditional use of neon in sign-making to create contemporary and provocative pieces. He will explain how to bend the glass used in making the sculptures, how different gases create different colors (neon, for example, produces a shade of red) and how different types of light change the color.

Visitors can use "cultural artifacts" such as tin cans, bolts and brightly-colored tubes to create their own neon-like sculptures in a workshop in the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum throughout the afternoon.

In the Museum of Fine Arts from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., visitors can take a pop music audio tour of modern day art using personal stereo headsets. The self-guided 15-minute tour features music appropriate to the color, shape and style of the artworks in the 20th Century Gallery.

Youngsters can make a kaleidoscope with artist Tracy Brockway in the Science Museum from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Spectrum is a Quadrangle-wide series of family-oriented programs that features a selection of



AUBREY PRODUCTIONS will present a 3-D Show on Sunday, January 29th.

performances, hands-on projects, displays and demonstrations centered around a common theme each week. The program is being sponsored, in part, by a grant from the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, a state agency.

Free parking is available in the Association's lots on State Street, across from the City Library and on Edwards Street. Additional parking is available nearby at a small cost.

The Springfield Library and Museums Association is a private, non-profit organization comprised of the Springfield City Library System, Museum of Fine Arts, Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, Springfield Science Museum, and George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum.

Sunday Spectrum will continue on February 5th with a special salute to "Notable Women."

1st Church To Host Colonial Brass Quintet

The Music Committee of the First Church, Court Square, Springfield, is pleased to announce they have been selected as the sight for a free concert by the Colonial Brass Quintet. The concert will be held in the Meeting House, Tuesday, January 31st, at 7:30 p.m.

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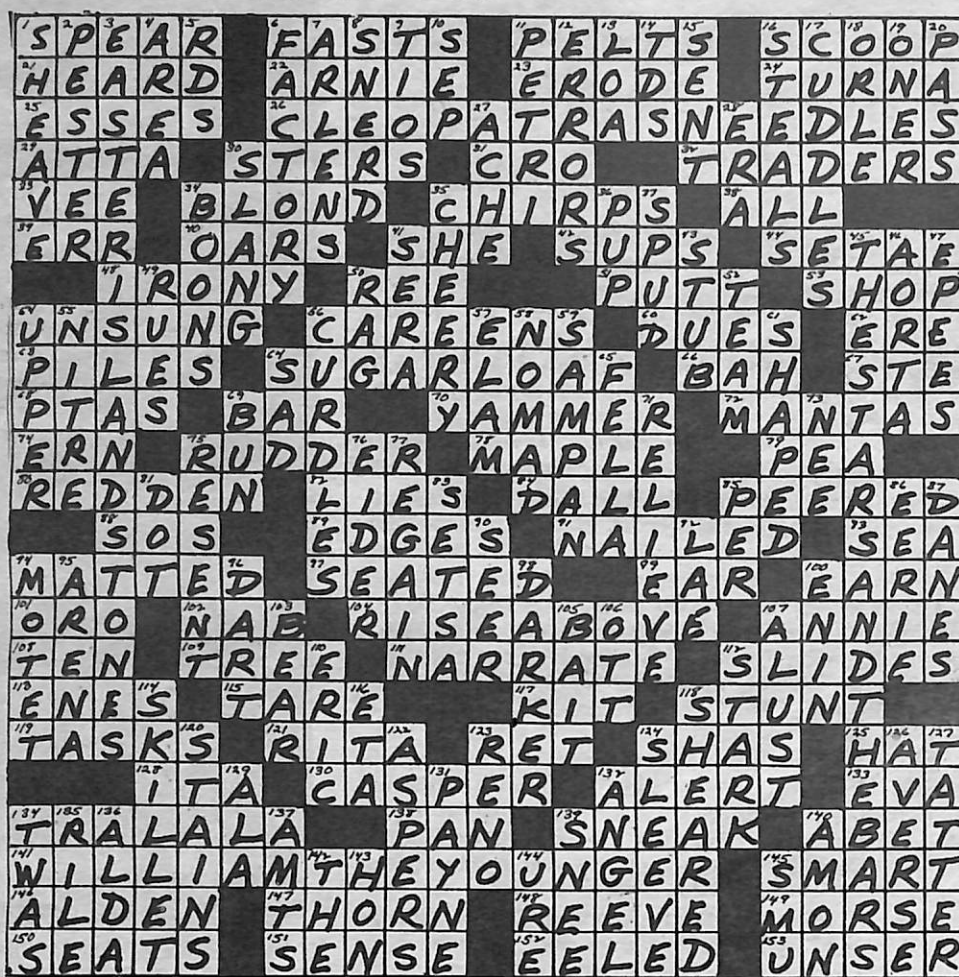
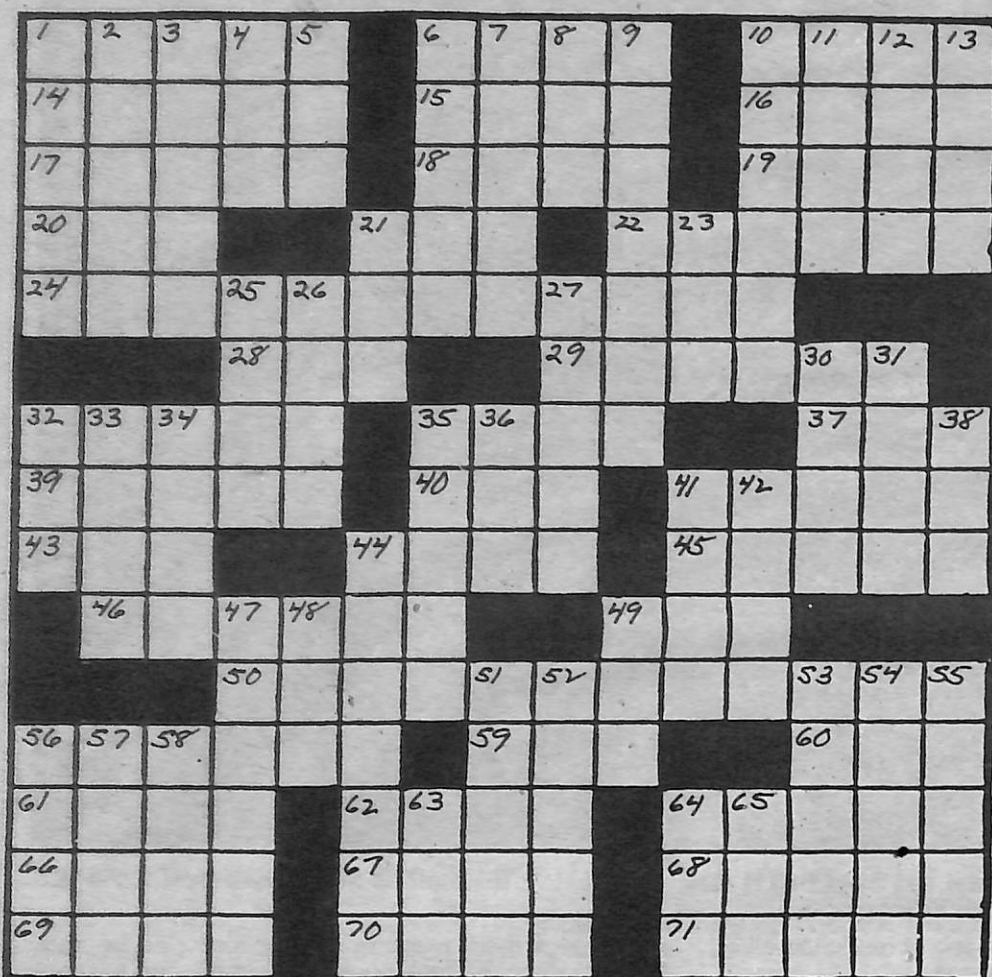
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New Basket Course Planned At Historic Museum

Springfield artisan, Lorrie Scranton, is teaching "Winter Baskets for Beginners" starting on Tuesday, January 31st, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum Education Center.

This course is designed for those with no basket-making experience. Students will master basic skills in a planned progression while learning to make three baskets: a berry basket, working from a square base to finishing with a rounded edge; a wall basket, shaping three sides while keeping the back flat; and an egg basket, using round reeds to form the frame of the basket. The traditional use of each basket will also be discussed.

Students will need to bring the following supplies: large plastic bucket, at least 10" x 10", utility knife, awl, clip clothespins, scissors, pencil, note paper, measuring tape, dental floss, and an old small towel.

Pre-registration and pre-payment are required and should be received at least one week before the class begins. For more information and registration, please contact the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum, 732-3080.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery Council, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a unit of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

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The Agawam Arts and Humanities Council is pleased to have as a guest speaker for the First Friday Series in February, Kay Nichols, of the Quadrangle Museums. "The General Collection of the Museums" will be the topic of her lecture to be held in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library at 7:30 p.m., Friday, February 3rd.

Ms. Nichols, who received her degree in Art History from Smith College and did graduate work at the University of Massachusetts, is the Curator of Education at the museums. She is responsible for coordinating and teaching classes for the Advanced Docent Program and Beginning Docent Program, and scheduling art appreciation classes for the School of the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum.

She is Project Director for the *French Connection*, a collaboration between the art museums, and French 1 classes in Springfield junior high schools funded by the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities. She has been connected with the museums for the past eight years.

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StageWest's *Macbeth* Spellbinding Show; One Of Boyd's Best!

by Phil Benoit
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

For his final directorial effort before he moves on to the Alley Theater in Houston, Texas, in March, StageWest's Artistic Director Gregory Boyd has come up with a spellbinding production of William Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, the finest rendering of one of the Bard's works that this professional theatre company has done ever since Boyd began his tenure in the autumn of 1985.

Set in Scotland during the latter half of the Middle Ages and based on actual historical events, this most-famous Shakespearean drama is a simultaneously tragic and horrific story about one man's self-consuming appetite for power and how his over-zealous ambition eventually leads to his downfall. A renowned general who's beloved by his ruler, King Duncan (Gordon Stanley), Macbeth (Eric Hill) succumbs to his viler instincts after he is told by a trio of witches that he himself will someday be King of Scotland.

At the insistence of his very persuasive and equally cunning wife, Lady Macbeth (Shelley Williams), Macbeth then commits himself to carrying out a nefarious plot which involves the murder of Duncan and will assure him of becoming the sovereign of his nation.

However, once this deed is done and he wears the dead King's crown upon his own head, Macbeth, as well as his wife, are unable to enjoy their newly acquired status. Deeply rooted feelings of guilt and panic begin to gradually overtake them, and Macbeth, moreover, becomes so paranoid during his time as king that he covertly orders the killing of additional influential countrymen, including a fellow general named Banquo (David Gottlieb).

Yet, as more and more time passes, things get progressively worse for him, and in the end, Macbeth comes face-to-face with his ultimate destiny.

Running at the S. Prestley Blake Mainstage until February 5th, StageWest's production of *Macbeth* is a riveting piece of theatre. A grim tale of murder and an examination of man's latent evilness, the play is replete with much violence and bloodshed, and direc-



MACDUFF (Matthew A. Loney) and MACBETH (Eric Hill) fight to the finish in StageWest's production of *MacBeth*. The play runs through February 5th.

tor Boyd does a most exemplary job of rendering all of this malevolent action on the stage.

But, at the same time, I must say that because of the graphically violent depiction of the show's proceedings, this staging of *Macbeth* is not for everyone. While I wholeheartedly applaud Boyd's no-holds-barred approach to this suspenseful material, it is sure to repulse those theatergoers with sensitive stomachs. An abundance of very realistic blood is present throughout much of the production, and the goriness reaches a climax of sorts in one scene wherein Macbeth is visited by the ghost of the murdered Banquo and a stream of blood from above comes cascading down upon his chalk-white apparition.

Furthermore, in a later moment of the story, the trio of aforementioned witches are involved in a gruesome ceremony during which they utter eerie incantations

and one of them prepares to give birth. To be sure, *Macbeth* does the best job that it possibly can to shock you and keep you on the edge of your seat; yet, whether or not this constitutes an entertaining experience will depend entirely upon the viewer's personal tastes.

As a perfect complement to Boyd's brutally dramatic direction, Keith Henery's scenic design incorporates a predominantly dark landscape which is punctuated by bare, skeletal white trees which create a nightmarish, otherworldly mood. The visually stunning costumes by Susan Tsu, meanwhile, run the gamut from the menacing black uniforms of Macbeth and his fellow soldiers to the vulnerably white garments of King Duncan and other victims of Macbeth's doings.

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In addition, feelings of terror are enhanced by William Penn's pulse-pounding music and Robert Jared's gloomy lighting. And, courtesy of Peter Nels, the show's well-choreographed fight scenes are thoroughly exciting and quite believable, particularly the grueling broadsword duel at the end of the play.

Undoubtedly, though, the most memorably and visually frightening moment throughout the plot occurs when Macbeth's trio of murdering thugs commit several killings while wearing cartoonish, contemporary rubber masks, one of which happens to feature the visage of Donald Duck. This kind of anachronistic imagery was also utilized and, to me, garnered mixed results in Boyd's two previous Shakespearean shows at StageWest, *As You Like It* and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, but in *Macbeth*, this instance of out-of-sync costuming is quite successful in conveying the notion that Macbeth's henchmen are akin to similarly disguised 20th-century terrorists.

Among the more noteworthy supporting players in this large cast, Stanley is fine as the frail and unsuspecting King Duncan, as is Gottlieb in the part of the equally victimized Banquo. In the meantime, Ellen Lauren, Frankie Van Meter, and Anne Altieri eloquently depict the three witches as creepy, gypsy-like women who are haggard beyond their years as a consequence of their mysterious powers.

As a nobleman named Macduff, Matthew Loney is first-rate. This individual is, in essence, the story's ultimate hero, but Loney skillfully portrays him not as a one-dimensional knight-in-shining-armor, but as a hapless man who eventually and unwittingly finds himself in the position of saving the day.

As Ross, an originally minor character who's quite important in this production, John Tyson projects a sense of amoral evil that's genuinely disturbing to watch. And, when he plays a second character in the show—a drunken porter—this actor more than enhances the comical relief which accompanies the role.

In the major part of Lady Macbeth, Miss Williams is superb. At first, she exudes an aura of cool femininity which barely conceals the fact that she is indeed capable of doing much harm; however, after Lady Macbeth assists her husband with his first crime, the actress communicates a growing madness which makes us realize that her character's deep-down conscience is eating her up.

Hill, giving a magnificent performance in the title role, also comes to display the tormented mind of a person who's now paying the price for all of his wrongdoings. Starting off as a proud, self-assured man and then becoming an emotionally distraught wreck, this actor's Macbeth embodies the tragedy which might befall any human being who cannot resist their most selfish temptations.

Raymond Harvey To Host Second Annual Friends Concert Jan. 26

Maestro Raymond Harvey will host the second Harvey and Friends Chamber Concert of the 1988-89 season on Thursday, January 26th, at 8:00 p.m. The concert will take place in the Mahogany Room of Symphony Hall and will feature the nationally acclaimed Los Angeles Guitar Quartet.

With a fascinating repertoire that runs the gamut from Renaissance dance consorts to fiery Spanish ballet, from noble Baroque concerti to ground-breaking contemporary works, the Quartet presents programs that enthrall guitar aficionados and general audiences alike. Their performance in Springfield will include Holst's *St. Paul's Suite*, Bach's *Brandenburg Concerto No. 3*, selections from Copland's *Rodeo*, selections from Fallo's *El Amor Brujo*, and Leisner's *The Cat That Walked by Himself*. The *Cat That Walked by Himself* is a newly commissioned work by the New England Presentors composed especially for the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet.

Prizewinners in the 1986 Concert Artists Guild Competition in New York, the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet is one of the world's leading guitar ensembles. The Quartet—Anisa Angarola, John Dearman, William Kanengiser and Scott Tennant, joined forces in 1980 at the University of Southern California. Each has been recognized as a talented soloist, and all four have been chosen by nationwide audition to perform in the historic 1981 Andres Segovia Master Class at USC. Members of the Quartet have won further recognition as prizewinners at major international competitions in Toronto and Paris. They have toured extensively in the United States and Mexico, and have been featured in such events as the First International Guitar Festival at Carnegie Hall, the D'Addario String Series in New York and San Francisco, the San Luis Obispo Mozart Festival, and the First American Guitar Congress at the University of Maryland. Most recently, the Quartet has become the first ensemble of its kind to be named a prizewinner in the 35th Concert Artists Guild International Competition held in New York. During the summer of 1987, the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet toured throughout Europe, including France, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Belgium, and Spain. They appeared as guest artists in the Fourth International Music Session in Grenoble, France, and the Encuentro Flamenco de Paco Pena in Cordoba, Spain.

Funding for this concert has been provided in part by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities.

"La Traviata" At Symphony Hall Feb. 7th

The Springfield Symphony Orchestra is pleased to present this year's performance of the New York City Opera National Company in Verdi's masterpiece, *"La Traviata,"* at Symphony Hall on Tuesday, February 7th, at 8:00 p.m. Donna Zapola stars as the ailing Violetta Valery in this tragic romance currently directed by Linda Brovsky and conducted by William Robertson. This performance is made possible in part by a donation from the Springfield chapter of UNICO National.

The riveting story of Violetta has captured hearts since it was first published as *"La Dam Aux Camelias"* and later transformed by Italian composer Giuseppe Verdi into *"La Traviata."* When Verdi's version premiered in 1853, audiences reacted with outrage at the tale of a scandalous woman being performed on the stage of polite society, but critics were soon won over by the poignant tale and brilliant score.

Violetta Valery is a woman of the night, whirling among the stylish salons of Paris. In her life as a courtesan, she has given up hope of any passion deeper than fleeting pleasures, but in the unfolding story she is swept off her feet by the dashing, young

Alfredo Germont. Dying of consumption, Violetta finds herself with a bitter choice: living in seclusion with her true love, or satisfying the demands of polite society scandalized by such a union.

The Symphony will be offering its special *"Words on Music"* program in the Mahogany Room at Symphony Hall just prior to the concert, in which Maestro Raymond Harvey gives an informal talk on the evening's presentation. It begins at 7:00 p.m., and is free for all ticket holders, but requires advance reservation through the Symphony box office.

Verdi's tender melodies, embracing orchestrations and passionate arias will delight audiences again in the New York City Opera National Company's production Tuesday night, February 7th, as led by General Director Beverly Sills. Tickets are priced at \$10 to \$20, and can be purchased at the Springfield Symphony box office located on the mezzanine level of Baystate West shopping center or by calling Phonecharge, 733-2291.

This performance is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities.

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Very often, gypsy cabbies and moonlighters with their personal autos try to offer you a deal promising expedient and cheap transportation. Stick to scheduled buses, authorized taxis, or other mass transit when travelling to and from airports. These hustlers have an array of scams.

For instance, they can carry several passenger at one time, each with a different destination, and there is no guarantee that you will be the first person dropped off. The bargain price you've negotiated may well not be worth a two-hour trip that usually takes 45 minutes.

Another con to avoid is the curbside baggage helper. He will grab your bags in a seemingly friendly manner, help you into a cab, and demand a fee for his service. I learned a lesson recently when I got out of a cab (intent on checking in at the airport) and someone grabbed my bag. It turned out that the line I needed to get in was 20 feet from the curb and my "helper" demanded money. Next time I'll be more cautious and handle my own bag until I know where I'm going.

JOTS FROM JULIE:

Sandy and Jim Lafond and family, formerly of Agawam, and now living in Wilton, Connecticut, recently returned from a trip to Cancun. They report that the area is 90 percent back to normal since the hurricane.

They were very happy with their hotel, the "Royal Mayan." Located on a good stretch of beach, the hotel staff was friendly, service excellent, and the rooms were spotless.

Sandy says they ate at some great restaurants, and son, Matt, says the lasagna at Di Nicholis was the best he ever tasted! Italian food in Mexico???

You know you're getting old when you finally reach the top of the ladder and it's leaning against the wrong wall!

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Education

Educational Trip To New Zealand, Australia Inspires Granger School's Ann Favreau

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The American Institution for Creative Education sponsored a trip to New Zealand and Australia this past summer and Granger Elementary School kindergarten teacher Ann Favreau was among the travelers.

Mrs. Favreau earned her master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Westfield State College in 1984, but has continued to earn credits (master's plus 15, presently) for her many contributions to education.

She said, "On this trip we had to keep a journal and do certain things for credits. John Poeton lectured at the seminars and led the group."

"From Los Angeles we stopped at Tahiti and talked about poetry on the beaches. We spent two days travelling there. The entire trip was to observe, absorb and be able to bring back with us the different ideas being taught on the whole language program."

Mrs. Favreau has received a Horace Mann Grant to begin to integrate the whole language program into kindergarten's curriculum. She said, "We've made our own books and it brings about the love of books. In kindergarten, language development is a main thrust and this is a way of doing that. It excites children."

In New Zealand Mrs. Favreau visited some of the schools to observe the management part of teaching the whole language program. "They teach science and social studies through children's literature. Everything is artistically mounted and labeled in the classrooms. The rooms are full of language and illustrations," she said.

"A child enters school on his/her fifth birthday. They go to what I labeled an indoctrination room. They learn everything about books, even how to turn pages, until they are ready to join the other five year-olds."

She said she did not really see many toys around, and that the schools were very structured and disciplined. "Their focus is really on literacy. Each classroom had between 500 to 1,000 books in it. I envied them," she said.

"The schools were set-up with one-story buildings in pods where the five year-olds were grouped in one area, the six year-olds in another, and so on," she said.

"They really encourage language development at an early age. Art work and writings done by the children were so rich in language."

At one school, Mrs. Favreau learned that everyone worked on one theme for the entire month. It was carried out on different levels with each grade. "They did so many extensions of the same thing; reading big book stories then re-writing them, making a soft sculpture and drawings of it," she said.

"Once a week they would have an assembly where the principal, teachers and students alike all had an active part. There were ballets, pictures, and poetry all contributed," she said.

She reiterated that New Zealand used different types of measures in evaluating students. "There is some testing, but there is not really a right and wrong. They have reading recovery teachers that work with a student in a 'one-on-one' until the student is successfully up to the proper reading level for their age."

When the children went outside to play for recess, the staff, except the teachers on duty for the playground, gathered together for the traditional custom of the British afternoon tea. "We tried to see the practical part of the whole language program in the schools," she said.

One of the schools visited was a multi-cultural school with 97 percent of the teachers being non-English speaking. The students from ages five through 11 years were cousins or street neighbors to draw on the feeling of family and togetherness. The teachers could possibly have a student for as long as five years at this school.

Mrs. Favreau said, "The Maori people, natives of New Zealand, are trying to bring back their culture. We even attended a Hangi Feast where the food was covered in cheese cloth and cooked over a natural geyser like 'Old Faithful.' There were working museums of weaving with flax and beautiful carvings."

She explained that the countryside was a deep, luxurious green and the climate was mild. "We saw deer-farms where sheep, cattle, and deer are raised for ex-



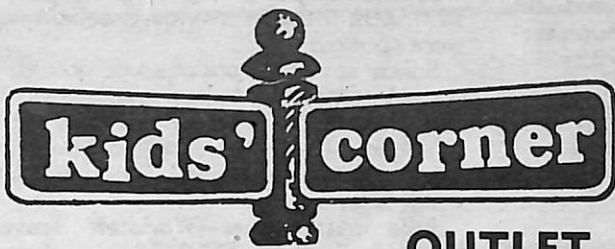
ANN FAVREAU

port. There are no insects and with the advantages of rich soil and mild climate, there is little need for storage facilities on the farms. They do not need barns to protect the animals or silos to store grown foods for them. The pastures resupply themselves without the need of cultivation."

In Australia, she visited the Expo. She said, "I went to the Expo to get a feel for the country, to look at Aborigine art and buy lots of books, toys, and flannel board things."

They also attended the World Congress on Reading in Australia to hear researchers and classroom teachers speak on how to apply whole language in the classroom, and ways to extend literature through writing, puppetry and arts.

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Guidance Report...

by **Ellen Freeman and Thomas Dacey**
Middle School Guidance Counselors

The counselors wish to congratulate Officer Wayne Macey and Officer Richard Niles of the Agawam Police Department on an extremely successful D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program with Rooms 2, 4, 6, 8, 11, and 12A of the fifth grade at the Agawam Middle School.

These students not only learned the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse, but they also gained some new insights on maintaining a positive self-image. The students were advised on how to feel good about themselves and how to avoid situations which might lead to drug abuse.

The counselors would like to advise parents that marks for the second term at the Middle School will close on or about January 27th. Report cards will be issued on or about February 10th. Parents can help by making sure that their children are not behind in any homework and that their children attend school regularly.

The counselors always welcome contact with parents concerning their children's progress. Mrs. Freeman, the sixth grade counselor, may be reached by phone, 789-1400, extension 454. Mr. Dacey, the fifth grade counselor, may be reached at 789-1400, extension 453.

Laughing Brook Lists Schedule For Pre-School Series

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center, Hampden, is currently accepting registrations for its popular pre-school series, *Little People's Adventures*. The series of 10 programs, designed for children ages 3½ to 5 years, introduces youthful explorers to the ways of nature by following the transition from winter to spring.

Their adventures include hiking in the woods and fields, playing games, sharing stories and making nature crafts. The two-hour program meets once a week, either morning or afternoon, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays beginning the week of January 24th. The fees are \$50 for Massachusetts Audubon members and \$60 for non-members.

For program details or for a copy of a current Laughing Brook program brochure, call 566-8034.

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To prepare Hearty Sausage and Vegetable Soup, simply brown smoked sausage and diced potatoes and blend with Campbell's onion soup and recipe mix, water, carrots and chopped fresh spinach. Simmer for a few minutes and savor the warmth that soups can provide.

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| 6 ounces smoked sausage, cut into ½-inch slices | 3 cups water |
| 3 medium potatoes, diced | 1 cup packed, chopped fresh spinach |
| 1 pouch Campbell's onion soup and recipe mix | |

1. In 3-quart saucepan over medium heat, in hot butter, brown sausage and cook potatoes about 10 minutes, stirring often.
2. Stir in soup mix, carrots and water, heat to boiling. Reduce heat to low. Cover; simmer 10 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally.
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Granger School Forms New Committee For Outdoor Equipment

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

For the past year at Granger Elementary School the Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) has formed a separate committee to raise funds for outdoor playground equipment.

Principal James Loomis and PTO President Alma Benton have worked with Chairman Jim Knight and committee members Les Brown, Mary Ann Swenson, Mark Butler, John Kulaga, and Ken Murrey for a candy sale fundraiser to be able to complete the project.

Knight said, "We wanted to raise funds for outdoor and indoor playground equipment. With the excess money, we will purchase educational games and computer software."

He added, "The town did a fine job making some nice improvements on the playground this year. The Parks and Recreation Department purchased some new swings, bought a basketball net, and repaired the slide."

Loomis noted, "The front and back playgrounds were resurfaced and a new storm drain installed. In the spring bushes will be replanted in the front of the school and around the school sign, and the game lines on the blacktop of the playground will be repainted."

Knight said that the Playground Committee planned to meet with the physical education instructor to get some recommendations on equipment that would strengthen the all-around physical education program to round-out the playground. Gym teacher Paul Baccini said that he would recommend something for the upper body development.

All the students that participated in the candy sale fundraiser and children whose parents made voluntary contributions to this project were eligible for a drawing that was held last week during school to award various prizes to the students.

First prize was a \$50 savings bond to one child from each grade level at Granger School. **Nicholas Brown** (kindergarten), **Jennifer Sommer** (first grade), **Kristen Parker** (second grade), **Brian Melloni** (third grade), and **Melissa Chiarella** (fourth grade) were the lucky winners.

Basketballs or dart games were awarded to **John Piccoli**, **Joshua O'Neill**, **Jared Kulaga**, **Christopher Prefontaine**, **Angela Sales**, **Melissa Berry**, and **Edward Cecchi**.

At least three children from each grade also received a 'Spirit of Granger' teddy bear for third place in the drawing. Kindergartners: **Crystal Hersey**, **Jeffrey Thibodeau**, **Tara Reilly**; First Grade: **Allison Pisano**, **Adrienne Major**, **Christine Letendre**, **Peter Hopkins**; and Second Grade: **Gina Cellilli**, **Rachel Newborough**, **Ronald Ogulewicz**, **Christina Tetreault**.

Also, Third Grade: **Krista Dean**, **Christopher Boulay**, **Scott Yarymowicz**, **Sean Garvey**; and Fourth Grade: **Sarah Garcia**, **Megan Shannon**, **Kristian Trauschke**, **Thomas Sheridan**, and **Tyler Van Tassell**.

Suffield Academy Announces Area Students Earn Honors

Eight area students achieved High Honors and 33 received Honors status for the fall term at Suffield Academy, Suffield, Connecticut.

Those receiving High Honors from Agawam were freshman Thomas S. Locke, and senior Alfred R. Casella.



GRANGER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS Melissa Chiarella, Jennifer Somer, Kristen Parker, and Bryan Maloni were the lucky winners of a \$50 savings bond at the school during the PTO's fundraiser for playground equipment.

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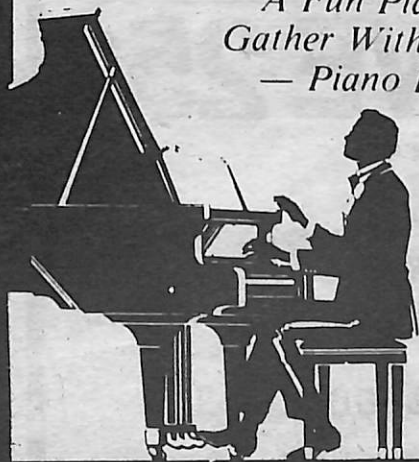
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Popular "Top 40 Concert" Again Feature Of AHS Music Dept.

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

On Thursday, January 19th, at 7:30 p.m., Agawam High School again presented talent galore at its Annual Top 40 Show in the school auditorium.

Director Steven Files, AHS music instructor, said, "We've added a drawing for door prizes this year with the purchase of tickets to our performance."

The audience will be eligible to win a free television or guitar. The price for the performance was \$3 prior to showtime and \$4 at the door.

For the past three years, the Annual Top 40 concert has grown in popularity due to top-rate performances by the students. The professionalism of the AHS Show Choir was evident to the viewer through the quality showmanship and Broadway-like set-up of costumes, lighting, and sound.

Files said, "Students, other than Show Choir members, participating in the Top 40 were asked by invitation from their performances in the fall of last year. We also have some singers from the junior high."

One of the numbers, choreographed by AHS student **Cathy Meredith**, included junior class students who danced to "Imagination."

Popular video and music chart songs included in the program were: "Every Rose Has Its Thorn," **Steve Yeager and David Fazio**; "Straight Up," **Jamie Milici**; "Little Liar," **Amy Zielinski**; and "My Prerogative," **Chris Cosgrove**.

Proceeds from the Top 40 will help to subsidize costs for the Show Choir and choreography classes at AHS to travel to Washington, D.C., for the "America Sins" festival this spring.

There will be 20 different stages set-up outdoors around the Washington Monument performing throughout the entire day, and in the evening, group performances will begin. During the festival, 15,000 performers are expected to appear.

Files said, "The festival is being organized through a non-profit organization as a fundraiser with proceeds going to the Children's Defense Fund for placing kids and for homeless children."



REHEARSING A TUNE for the Thursday, January 19th "Top 40 Concert" at Agawam High School are, from left - Chris Dimascola, Steve Yager, and Amy Modzelewski. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE TALENTS OF TAMMY MORAN and JAMIE MILICI were featured at Thursday night's "Top 40 Concert" at Agawam High School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



DAVE FAZIO and CHRISTINA MORASSI made a dynamic duo at Thursday night's "Top 40 Concert" at Agawam High School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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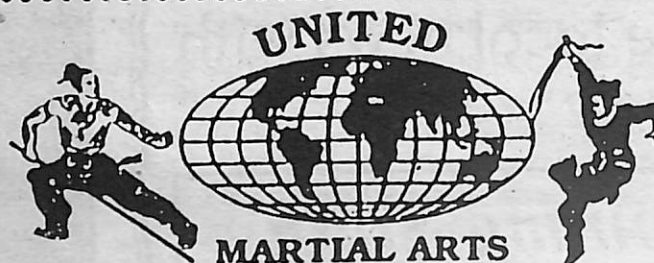
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Perry Lane Park Day Camp Seeking Summer Applicants

The summer day camp and pre-school camp which will be held at Perry Lane Park this summer are again seeking enterprising applicants.

Applications are available at the Town Manager's Office located in the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, or at the Agawam Recreation Department, located at the Agawam High School.

Individuals who have previously been employed in the department's summer camp program will have preference, but Director Jack Kunasek reminds everyone that all must file an application to be considered.

Applicants must be high school graduates (or graduating in June 1989). Applicants must be furthering their education, preferably in the social service's field. A water lifesaving certificate is an advantage, but not necessary.

The camp program will run from Monday, July 3rd, through Friday, August 18th, for a total of seven weeks. Daily hours for camp will be 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Staff hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., 37½ hours per week at \$3.92 per hour. Camp will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

Applications may be picked-up Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., in the Town Manager's Office (Personnel Department) or at the recreation office. Completed applications must be returned to the Town Manager's Office by Friday, May 12th. All applicants will be contacted for interviews by the recreation director. Interviews will be held in the recreation office which is located at the Agawam High School, right driveway, rear entrance.

Positions available will be:

One camp director who must have extensive background in education or recreation with strong emphasis on program planning; one assistant director; 22 leaders with various strong points in tennis, arts and crafts, team sports, swimming, nature study, etc.; two leaders for the pre-school program.

Camp Schedule/Cost

Seven-week session—July 3rd to August 18th—\$150 with bus; \$100 without.

Four-week session—July 3rd to July 28th—\$125 with bus; \$80 without.

Three-week session—July 31st to August 18th—\$100 with bus; \$60 without.

Two-week session—July 17th to July 28th—\$70 with bus; \$40 without.

Pre-School Playtime—July 3rd to August 17th—seven weeks—\$25, no transportation.

Registration begins Monday, April 14th.

Other Positions Available

With the opening of Perry Lane Park scheduled for Memorial Day Weekend, the Agawam Parks/Recreation Department is also seeking qualified lifeguards (both full and part-time) along with park supervisors, maintenance workers, and cashiers.

The hours are flexible. Saturday and Sunday hours are available along with week nights from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Qualified adults who are seeking part-time employment are welcome to apply as well as qualified high school and college students.

For further information, call the Parks/Recreation Department, 786-0400, extension 456.

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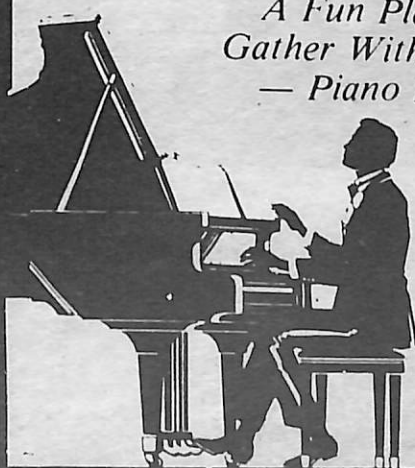
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Camp Rainbow Now Seeking Summer Job Applicants

Applications are now available at the Town Manager's Office in the Agawam Town Hall, 36 Main Street, or the Agawam Parks/Recreation Office (located at the Agawam High School) for various counselor positions at Camp Rainbow. Located at Robinson Park School, Camp Rainbow is a day camp for special needs children of Agawam.

Persons who have been previously employed at Camp Rainbow will have preference but are reminded that they must complete an application to be considered.

Positions to be filled include camp director, speech therapist, and nurse/health aide. Head counselors are needed in the fields of physical education, music, arts and crafts, and water safety.

To qualify for the previous positions, one must have extensive background experience in special education. Five enterprising group leaders are also being sought.

To apply for a position of group leader, one must have graduated or be graduating from high school this June and furthering his/her education in the social service's field.

This coming summer there will be six positions open for apprentice counselors (aides). These six people will work on a one-on-one basis with the campers in most need of help. To qualify for an apprentice counselor's position, one must have volunteered at Camp Rainbow for one summer session.

Camp Rainbow will run from July 5th to August 18th, 1989, with a staff day conducted on July 3rd, 1989. Daily camp hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Deadline for returning job applications to the Town Manager's Office will be Friday, May 12th, 1989.

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Dance-A-Thon Planned By Artistic Academy For Holly Pevzner

Holly Pevzner, 13 year-old daughter of Steven & Carol Pevzner of Feeding Hills, is currently undergoing outpatient treatment at Boston Children's Hospital for osteosarcoma.

On Sunday, January 22nd, (snow date January 29th), a Dance-a-Thon will be held at the Academy of Artistic Performance, 1325 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, from 12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m., with a special adult exercise class from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. (16 or older).

Osteo-sarcoma is relatively rare and Holly's battle continues through the many hours of rehabilitation, physical therapy, and chemotherapy.

Holly has been a dance participant at the Academy of Artistic Performance for nine years. She is a member of the Academy's Workshop Dancers, taking ballet and jazz classes, was also a junior assistant, helping teach the younger student.

She is an eighth grade student at Agawam Junior High and has participated in the Agawam Athletic Association soccer and basketball leagues.

It has been a long and difficult time since June for Holly, her parents, and her older sister, Tracy.

Holly's dance teachers, classmates, family and friends will be holding a Dance-a-Thon at the Academy. Pledges and donations will be accepted. You need not be a student of the Academy to come in and be a part of all the fun and help Holly at the same time. Everyone is welcome! "Special Adult Exercise Classes" are offered at a donation of \$5 for the day.

Pledge a dancer, join a class, or make a donation! All checks should be made to "The Holly Pevzner Trust Fund." Hope to see you all there.

Artist Florida Tangocci Displaying At MacDuffie

The MacDuffie School in Springfield, is pleased to announce "Women Artists Month," through January 27th, with four area women artists displaying their work.

Hours are Monday to Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sundays, 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m.

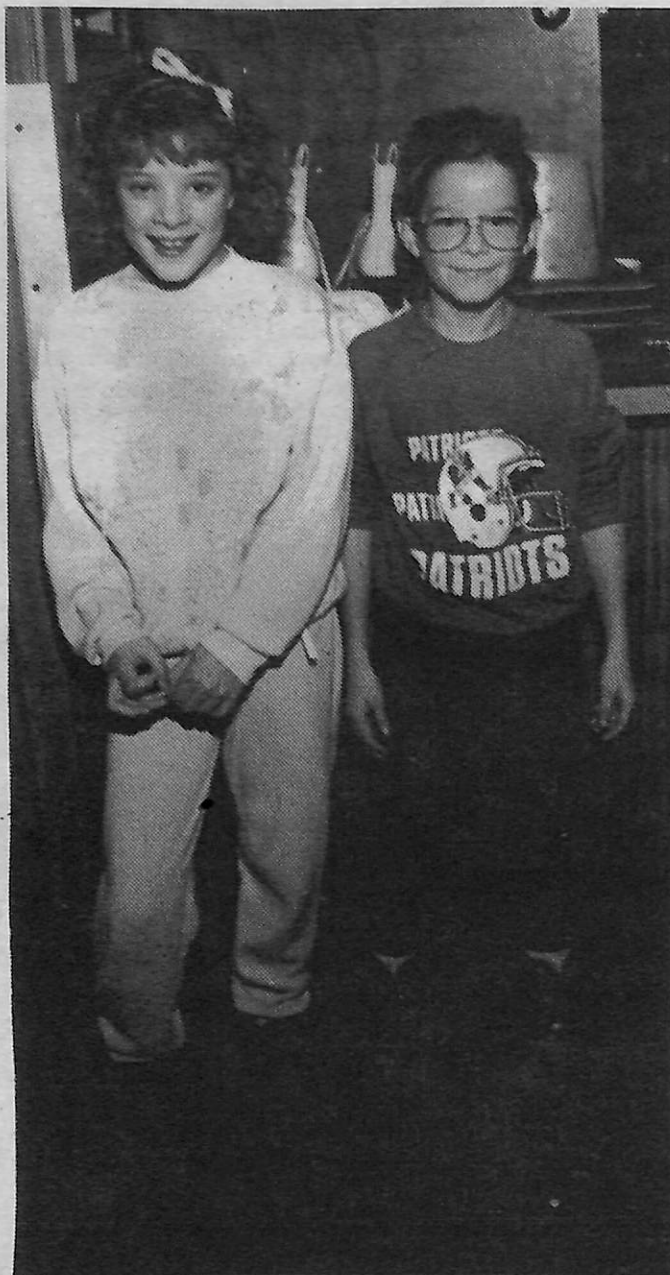
Florida Tangocci, a watercolorist from Agawam, has three pieces in the show. Ms. Tangocci has studied under various artists and recently had a one-woman show in Agawam.

Jeanne Baskin Reich of Longmeadow selected two oils and three pastels for the show. Ms. Reich is an instructor as well as an artist and will be lecturing and demonstrating her style in Washington, D.C., later this year. She has classes in her studio in Longmeadow, and may be reached at 567-8427.

Nancy Cassidy of West Springfield selected one mixed media, two oils, and two watercolors. Ms. Cassidy is also an instructor and offers classes in West Springfield and may be reached at 733-0722.

Audrey Safford, a multimedia artist, specializes in portraits of horses and animals. One of her "horse" pieces exhibited here has won several best of show awards. Currently she is doing commissioned portrait work and may be reached at 783-0090.

A Fun Day Off



YOUNGSTERS EMILY LILIENTHAL and Brian St. Louis are all set for a fun day-off on Monday at the Agawam Rollaway. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Schools' Lunch Menu

Monday, January 23rd: Pepperoni pizza, tossed garden salad with creamy Italian dressing, chilled pears, milk.

Tuesday, January 24th: Turkey and vegetable soup, roasted turkey sandwich in roll, buttered diced carrots, white cake with hot fudge sauce, milk.

Wednesday, January 25th: Steamed frankfort in roll, oven baked beans, waxed beans, applesauce or fig bars, milk.

Thursday, January 26th: Meatballs in tomato sauce, buttered macaroni noodles, seasoned mixed vegetables, chilled fruit cup, milk.

Friday, January 27th: Hamburg and gravy on whipped potatoes, diced carrots, dinner roll, orange sherbert, milk.

Karin Krohne Of Agawam On MacDuffie's Honor Roll

The MacDuffie School Headmaster Michael Cornog has announced the Honor Roll for the second quarter.

Karin Krohne of Agawam, president of the Senior Class and daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kurt Krohne of River Road, has achieved maximum honors. She has been a varsity field hockey player and a member of the varsity ski team.

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"Agawam Trivia" Game Stimulating Interest

Questions have started coming in for the Agawam Trivia Project initiated by Agawam High Music Director Darcy Davis. Anyone in the community is invited to send in questions and answers, which will be put out in book or booklet form this year and possibly as a board game.

Some of the early questions that came in are:

- What was the name of Creighton Abrams World War II tank?
- What does the word Agawam mean?

•What is the title of the Agawam High School yearbook, and what does it mean?

•Who was the youngest selectman elected in the Town of Agawam?

•Who was the first AHS quarterback to receive Western Mass. honors?

Questions are being accepted on the topics of Agawam sports, Agawam town history, Agawam business, Agawam music and arts, and general questions about Agawam.

Please send your questions and answers to Darcy Davis at Agawam High School.

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Sports

1-7-2 At Presstime...

AHS Hockey Falls On Hard Times In 1988-89 Season

by Scott Miller
Advertiser News Staff

Whenever you hear the phrase "rebuilding year" the words young and inexperienced are always soon to follow.

But when talking to Agawam High hockey coach Len Bruso, these words are not merely clichés - it's the absolute truth.

Bruso's Division II finalist of 1987-88 and Western Mass. champ from 1986-87 has been reduced to a shadow of those two banner years.

The Brownies are suffering through a 1-7-2 winter season (1-4-1 in Berry Division) and have been forced to take some intensive on-the-job training.

Agawam, as is normal, has no problem putting the puck into the net with the lines of seniors Mike Passerini, Tom Greene, and Bob Manning, as well as juniors Mike Shea, Chris Jarvis, and Dave Noonan all producing.

The major problem for AHS, as predicted in the pre-season, is defense. Bruso lost three players he thinks would have kept the Brownies in the thick of the Berry Division race, instead of the basement.

Before the season even began, two-time All-Western Mass. goalie, the Brownies' all-everything, senior Dave Laudato, headed for the tough New England Junior Hockey League and the Springfield Olympics.

That left Bruso with three goalies with no experience.

Since then the Brownies' defensive corps have been further battered by the loss of Steve Silva and Brendan Blake. Add the graduation of another all-everything player for the Brownies, two-time best defenseman in Western Mass. Denis Punch (now the junior varsity coach) and the locals are in a heap-big mess on the backline.



AHS GOALIE BRYAN BOUTWELL and defenseman Robert Desilets escape a West Springfield barrage in action last week at the Eastern States Coliseum. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

On Tuesday, January 17th, the Brownies lost a close one, 5-3, to the Minnechaug Falcons at the Eastern States Coliseum.

After a scoreless first period, Minnechaug tallied twice on goals by Bree Knowles and Mike Schmidt (each had two goals).

The Brownies then responded when Bob Manning scored with assists going to Bob Desilets and Tom Greene.

Minnechaug regained its two-goal advantage early in the third period when Knowles beat netminder Bryan Hollister. AHS came right back with a controversial power play goal to make it a 3-2 game.

The controversy erupted four minutes into the period when Mike Passerini dumped the puck into the Minnechaug net, which had been accidentally knocked-off

its post by goalie Tony Rys. Passerini put the puck by Rys while the goalie was attempting to get the referee to stop play. Mike Shea and Greene assisted on the goal.

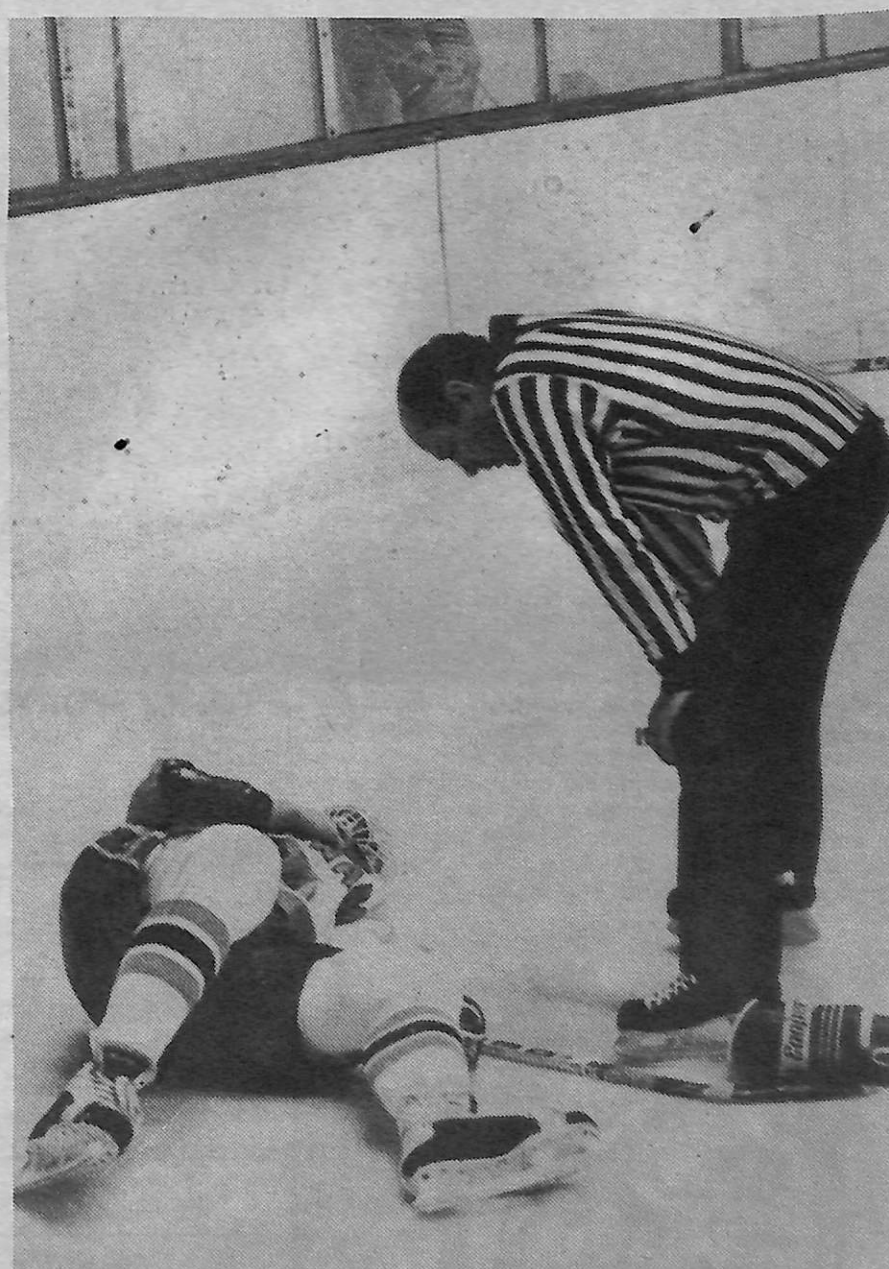
Shea would even things at 3-3 while standing in a crowd of players in front of Rys' net. He took the puck and slapped it under the pads at 7:34. Chris Jarvis and Dave Noonan were credited with the assists.

But Schmidt's power play goal with 5:22 remaining proved to be the game-winner. The Falcons scored again with 12 seconds left when AHS pulled its goalie for a sixth skater in a desperate attempt to tie it at four-all. But the puck was collected and bounced into the Brownies' open net for the 5-3 final.

Hollister and Rys each recorded 22 saves in the contest.



BROWNIE FORWARD CHRIS JARVIS is stationed just off the West Side crease hoping for a scoring opportunity. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AGAWAM'S MIKE SHEA is on the deck while one of the officials checks-out Shea's injury. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS Grapplers Blitz Cathedral, 43-17; Place 3rd At Commonwealth Cup Tourney

by Scott Miller
Advertiser News Staff Member

The Agawam High wrestling team continued its winning ways last week with a dual meet victory over Division I rival Cathedral, 43-17, Wednesday, January 11th, and a successful third place finish at the prestigious Commonwealth Cup at Brockton High on Saturday, January 14th.

The big score over Cathedral was rather deceiving because the match was actually much closer. After winning the first three weight classifications, the Brownies then lost the next three to make it very close.

However, from 140-pounds on, the Brownies won the next seven individual matches.

Here's the results of the Cathedral match:

103 pounds, CHRIS CORRIVEAU defeated Ryan Finn, 1-0; 112 pounds, DANA ALMQUIST beat Rob Williams, 16-1; 119 pounds, DAN FELIX beat Mark Sanders, 14-1; 125 pounds, CHARLIE WEBER was pinned by Angel Rivera in 1:57; 130 pounds, BOB CAMPBELL was pinned by Mark Paglia in 1:33; and 135 pounds, FRANK DEMARINIS lost to Sean Finn, 12-0.

140 pounds, PAT CLARKE defeated Bill Muziak, 11-5; 145 pounds, JEFF CLARKE defeated Mike Collins, 10-4; 152 pounds, CHRIS JABRY over Joe Tortiello, 4-0; 160 pounds, BILL BERTE pinned Dan Joyce in 44 seconds; 171 pounds, JEFF RETZLER defeated Steve Shaw, 6-0; 189 pounds, RICH DILULLO pinned Todd Christomo in 1:02; and heavyweight, RICH BIRK pinned Jeff Gillis in 3:28.

In the prestigious Commonwealth Cup, an eight-team tournament where just about the best in the state gather, the Brownies came in as the defending Cup

champions and placed third.

In their first match the locals lost to Winchester High, 42-20, then in round two, perennial state power Lowell took a controversial, 32-28 victory over the locals. Lowell eventually won the tournament.

The controversy vs. Lowell happened in the very first match when Chris Corriveau (103 pounds) was ahead, 11-6, but the referee called opponent Dana Chitun the winner on a pin at 1:52.

The only problem was that everyone in the building (except the official) clearly saw Corriveau's shoulders about four inches off the mat at the time of the alleged pin. It was this call that caused AHS to lose the match. The six points awarded for the pin kept the locals from staging the upset.

The Brownies then defeated Brocton, 35-30, in the consolation round to clinch third place.

Results of the Brockton match were: 103 pounds, CHRIS CORRIVEAU tied Leo Mulvey; 112-pounds, ALMQUIST was pinned by Scott McIntosh in 3:45; 119 pounds, FELIX was pinned by Jerry McCoy in 5:05; 125 pounds, WEBER defeated Eric Jofery, 7-0; 130 pounds, CAMPBELL was pinned by Dave DiBono; 135 pounds, DEMARINIS was pinned by Adam Carter.

Also, 140 pounds, PAT CLARKE lost to Bill McCoy, 13-2; 145 pounds, J. CLARKE lost to Derek Goodman, 12-5; 160 pounds, JABRY was pinned by Brian Songster in 2:59; 171 pounds, RETZLER defeated Tom Tatimer on a disqualification; 189 pounds, DILULLO lost to Mike Bearterelli, 4-0; and heavyweight, BIRK pinned Gary George in 1:58.

Brownie Swimmers Off To 2-4 Start; Lack Of Depth Cited

by Scott Miller
Advertiser News Staff

The Agawam High boys' swimming team, now 2-4 on the 1988-89 winter season, is facing the same problem it has faced for years - several talented individuals who are up to the competition but absolutely no depth to speak of.

This means the Brownies are winning their share of individual races but other teams are racking up the important points in the second, third, and fourth slots.

Last Friday's meet vs. Division I power Cathedral was the first day the locals failed to win their share of races in a 93-72 setback.

The team posted victories in the free relay, 50 free, and 200 free. A unit composed of Aaron Orsucci, Brian Shamekelis, Chris Paltz, and Dana Orsucci won the relay in 3:50.71. Shamekelis won the 50 free (24.50) and Orsucci took the 200 free (2:00.31).

Divers Jim Menard and Tony Leger took second and third against the best diver in Western Mass., Cathedral's Kevin Sears. Menard scored 135.40 and Leger tallied a 134.90. Sears easily won the event with a score of 203.4.

On January 10th, the Brownies had an independent meet with Pittsfield and came out on top, 90-78. Agawam had eight of the 11 possible first places and three double winners.

Dana Orsucci took the 200 free in 1:58.65 and the 100 fly in 1:02.44. Chris Paltz won the 200 IM in 2:19.13 and the 100 breast in 1:10.40. Brian Shamekelis bested the 50 free in 25:13 and the 100 free (57.48). Tony Leger won the diving event with a score of 138 points.

Action Hot & Heavy Around AHS Cage



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY PLAYERS Bryan Boutwell and Kevin Fleury try to thwart a scoring bid by West Springfield forward during a loss to the Terriers last week.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

A.A.A. Basketball Standings

BOYS 10-12 American

Fether Inc.	2	0
Casa DiLisa	1	1
Grimaldi & Burzdak	1	1
McCarthy Tile	0	2

National

Agawam Advertiser News	1	1
Agawam Fire Fighters	1	1
Polish Club	1	1
Westfield Savings Bank	1	1

BOYS 13-15

Lunden Construction	2	0
Agawam Fire Fighters	1	1
Collins Construction	1	1
Lynn's Cleaners	0	2

Agawam Adult Slo-Pitch Softball League To Meet

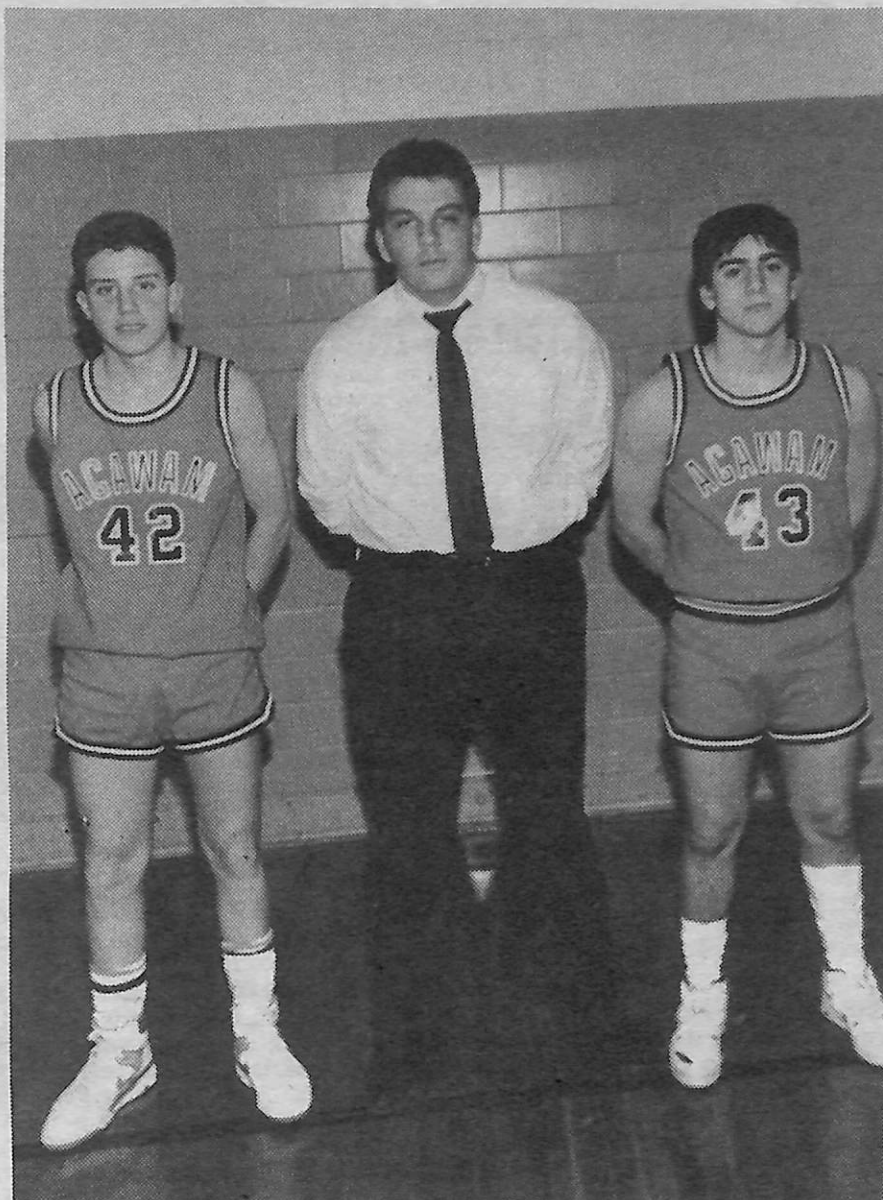
An organizational meeting for the Agawam Adult Slo-Pitch Softball League will be held Monday night, January 30th, at the Buccaneer Lounge on Maple Street.

The Women's League meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m., and the Men's League will meet at 8:00 p.m.

There are a few openings in all leagues. Opening day will be Sunday, April 30th, for the Men's League, and Monday, May 1st, for the Women's League.

For further information, contact the Recreation Department, 786-0400, extension 467.

JV Coach & Captains



ONCE AGAIN Dean Vecchiarelli (center) is directing the sidelines for the Agawam High junior varsity hoop team. This year's captains are Mike Pelligrino and Mike Sibilia. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

OUTDOORS

FISHIN' TIPS FROM THE HUMMINBIRD PROS

by Larry Colombo



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Meet The 1988-89 AHS Junior Varsity Hoop Team



THIS YEAR'S Agawam High junior varsity hoop team includes, back row, from left - Brett Boskiewicz, Chuck Hoffman, Dan Beavis, Dave Kozel, Scott Anderson, and coach Dean Vecchiarelli. Front row - Mike Sibilia, Mike Pelligrino, and Ray Stone. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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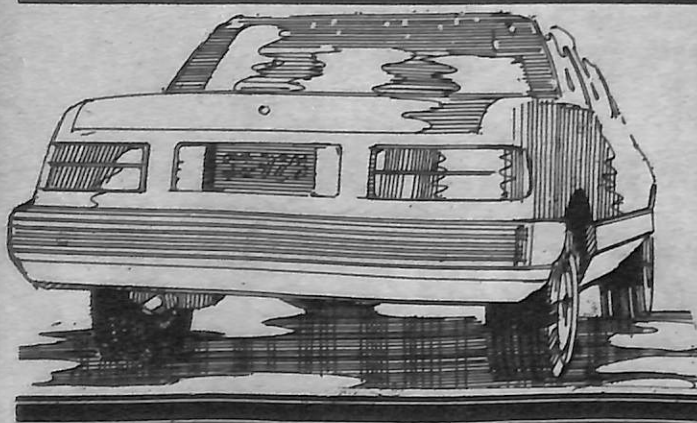
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The fans say they want an advance \$9.99 sale ticket for the first four division program at Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam.

Riverside's opener, Saturday, March 25th, is already one of the best entertainment values in New England. Now that the value is getting so popular, the management team of Ed Carroll and Ben Dodge, Jr., have been forced into a very desirable situation.

That situation is the offering, for the first time in the history of Riverside Park Speedway, an advance sale admission ticket. Last year Riverside opened on the same date to a crowd in excess of 10,000. Now, with a lot of changes occurring in the marketplace, Riverside's popularity is stronger than ever.

"I cannot believe all the positive talk and interest this year for Riverside Park Speedway. The attitude is in our favor and we are going to work hard to further the success of the speedway," said Speedway Director Ben Dodge, Jr. "This advance ticket for March 25th's Eagle Snacks 100, featuring the Modifieds, proves it's the best deal anywhere."

It will also include the Pro Stocks, Late Model, and featuring the all-new Strictly Stock Division. The advance ticket sale insures you of several great bonuses for \$9.99. It guarantees you a seat with rest-back, early entrance to the event at the VIP Stadium entrance. Plus, the best news is anyone who buys an advance \$9.99 ticket is automatically included in a drawing to win a VIP family package to Riverside.

As for the race, it's 100 laps for the stars of the NASCAR Modified tour-type racing. It's a show worth \$15,000, but a Riverside value for only \$9.99. Top competitors will include Agawam's John Rosati, Mike Stefanik, Reggie Ruggiero, Bruce D'Alessandro, Mike McLaughlin, and many more. There's still more, the exciting Late Model Streets will be on hand with the Pro Stock Division and the all-new Strictly Stocks. It's the biggest and best show of its type in New England. To order your ticket, write **Riverside Park Speedway, P.O. Box 307, Agawam, MA, 01001, Attn: Gina G.** Again, it's \$9.99 for adults and \$3 for kids, eight and under.

Please include the number of tickets and your return address. Don't forget. Season tickets are also available for \$175 for 1989.

March Of Dimes Slates Sno-Ball Softball Tournament

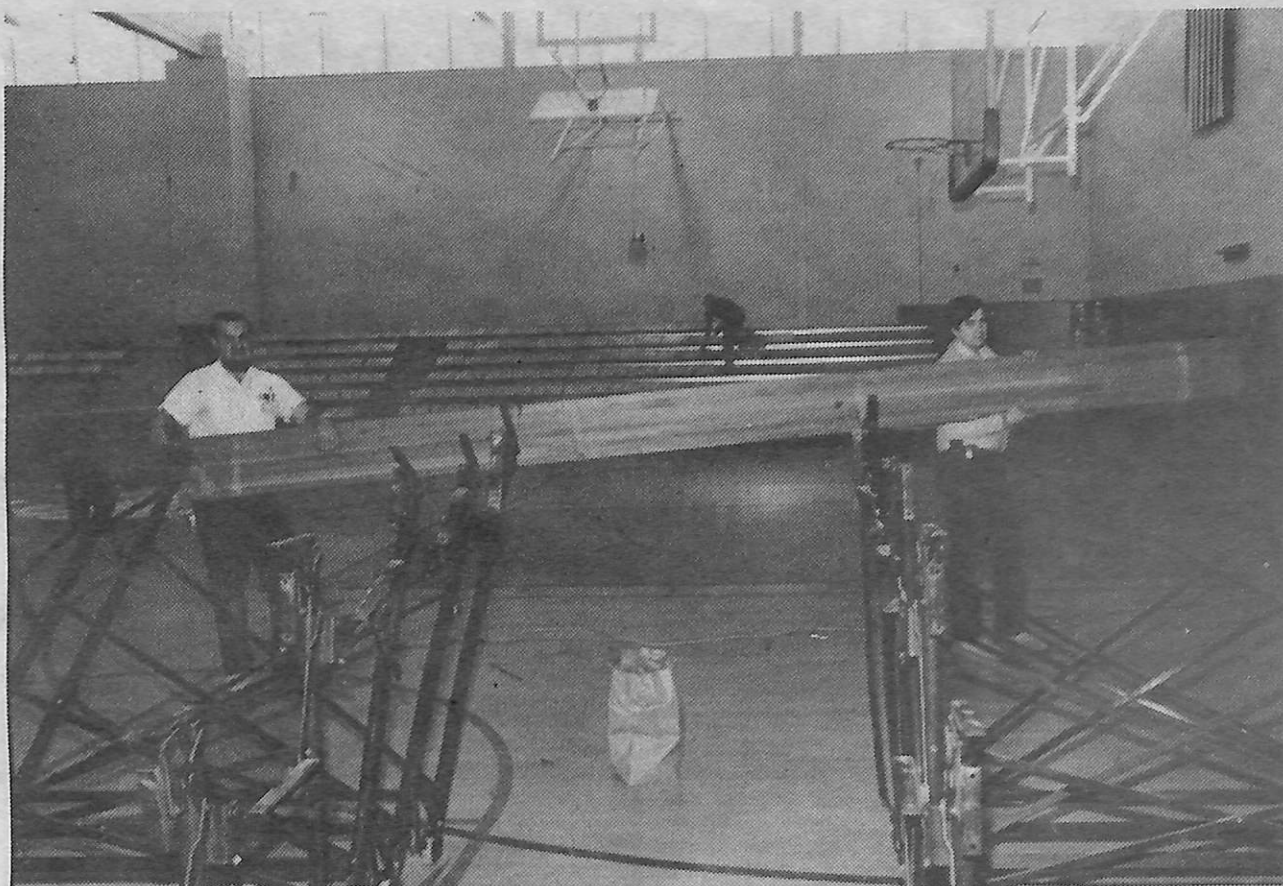
The March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation has set the dates for its annual "Sno-Ball Softball Tournament" for February 4th-5th, at Walker Stadium in Forest Park.

The event is a part of the Winter Festival. Teams from local businesses, taverns, bars, clubs, churches, and even family members join up to play a game of softball for a good cause.

Sign-up forms are available by calling the March of Dimes office during regular business hours at 739-9601, or Jeffrey White, the event coordinator, 786-3389 evenings.

All proceeds benefit the local March of Dimes and their efforts of preventing birth defects. Massachusetts has the worse record of baby deaths in the United States. More babies are born dead and damaged in Massachusetts than in any other state. The March of Dimes, through education, funding, medical services, and research programs is leading the way for healthier babies.

Helping Agawam High Gym's Facelift



IN PHOTO ABOVE, town employees David Benoit and Roger Kupec are hard at work giving the Agawam High gym a much-needed facelift last week; IN PHOTO BELOW, Dale Guertin of Precision Installation sections off bleachers on the south wall. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.



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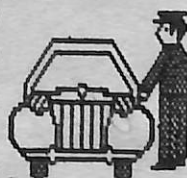
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The new Budweiser program is for indoor events that have high visibility, but are not usually classified in their old promotional package. What makes this program so important is the location, the type of client, and the nature of the show.

Autoparts Swap N' Sell had been sponsored in the past by Williams Distributing and the Bud Light brand. It is because of the relationship that Budweiser and Williams has selected the Automotive Flea Market. "It's a first class event with good attendance and the company that runs it does a great job," said Jim Sadowsky of Williams Distributing.

This year's event has been sold-out for vendors' space for several months. It is the largest heated indoor swap meet of its type in New England, as the building measures three acres in size. Every available inch of sales space is gone with a huge list of vendors waiting.

Over one million parts and equipment related to the auto will be on display for swap or sale. There is something for everyone—from antique, 4X4, street rod, drag racing, motorcycle, classics, oval track, tour modifieds, Sk-type, late models, to pro stocks, parts, and equipment.

The hard to find and latest in new factory items will be on display.

It's the show of shows, and it happens only once a year in West Springfield at the Eastern States Fairgrounds in the Better Living Center.

Vendors noted on a national level include Morosso, Accel Ignition, Crager, National Parts Peddler, Hemmings Motor News, Auto Hunter, Model A of America, Mustangs Unlimited, J.F.Z., Hoosier, and much more. Several enclosed trailer companies will offer show specials.

Don't miss it. No matter what it's like outside, it will be hot inside at Autoparts Swap N' Sell.

WGGB-TV Channel 40 To Announce Red Sox Games

WGGB-TV, Channel 40, Springfield, is the new Western Massachusetts television home for the American League Eastern Division Champion Boston Red Sox. The announcement was made by WGGB-TV's Vice President and General Manager, Gilbert M. Lefkovich.

"It is with great pride and anticipation that we prepare for the 1989 baseball season," Lefkovich said. "The Red Sox are our team—New England's team. We at WGGB welcome them to Channel 40 and look forward to a long relationship."

The Red Sox come to Channel 40 after 13 years on Springfield's NBC affiliate.

No specifics of the long term agreement were announced. The agreement calls for Channel 40 to broadcast 32 games in 1989. Sean McDonough and Bob Montgomery will once again handle the play-by-play duties for the flagship station and the network originator WSBK in Boston.

All the local news

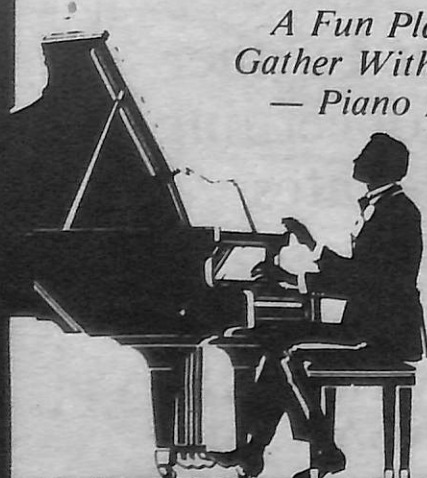
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Agawam High Gym Gets Bleachers



DALE GUERTIN of Precision Installation works on section of new bleachers that were installed in the Agawam High School gym last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Lunker Fish Derby At Mawaga Club April 2nd

Attention: All Florida bound fishermen and ladies, There are two dates to remember—Agawam Day in Florida on Wednesday, March 1st, at Howard State Park in Tarpon Springs, and Lunker Fish Derby Day, April 2nd at the Mawaga Club, Adams Street, Agawam.

For those who wonder what a Lunker Fish Derby is—the pond will be stocked with trout that are a minimum of 18" long! First Prize for the biggest fish is

\$200, plus second and third prizes.

Also, there will be a large "golden" trout and if it's caught, the club will mount it for you.

Breakfast will be served from 7:00 a.m. on, and the Derby starts at 9:00 a.m.

Tickets will be available after February 1st at Agawam Sportsworld, Springfield Street, and Pignatari's Service Center, Main Street, at \$15 each.

Suburban Youth Football Team Slates Organizational Meeting

There will be an important meeting for all interested people who would like to form a fifth/sixth grade and seventh/eighth grade suburban football team; play to begin in the fall of 1989.

The meeting will be held on Monday night, January 23rd, at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, starting at 7:00 p.m. Coaches will also be needed, and if interested, please attend.

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by Ralph Rachele

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Moccio's G-Town Widens Tri-Parish Lead

The seventh week of rolling in Round Two of the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League saw Round One champion Georgetown (23 wins) continue to flex its muscles while destroying disappointing Villanova (9th place-10 wins).

G-Town used victories by CINDY KOZAK (286), "Jungle" JIM BURLINGHAM (330-255 demolition job on poor PAUL LAGODITZ), VI MASSOIA (291), and AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO, who waltzed through a leisurely night on the lanes in defeating frustrated Villanova captain RENEE JURY (293).

If G-Town continues on this path, the rest of the league can kiss this year goodbye.

Fordham (2nd place-20 wins) is attempting to stay within striking distance of G-Town, and after its battle with St. Michael (4th place-17 wins), that it did following week seven.

In what has to be considered a key match, Fordham used its two victories by SANDY PRZESZLO (278) and lead-off roller JOE RESCIGNO (274) to put St. Mike's in a very deep hole early on.

St. Mike's did fight back when third roller ED SCHULTSKI (287) defeated JOHN REILLY (279), but captain STU "The Mad Stork" STORK, the league's top roller with a lofty average of 115.47, only defeated Fordham captain ANN O'CONNELL by 334-299. Storkie needed a much bigger gap than that to offset

the earlier damage inflicted by Fordham.

So, St. Mike's, a team that was definitely on the rise, is now wallowing six games behind rival Georgetown, as "The Fearsome One" continues to have the last laugh over a rather irate "Mad Stork."

Notre Dame (3rd place-19 wins) vaulted up the ladder with a clean sweep of lowly Holy Cross (11th place-6 wins), four wins to none.

ND winners were BOB PICKETT (285-big lead-off win), CHERYL PRZESZLO (290), and captain JOHN RESCIGNO (294). HC captain LARRY VIENS could muster only a sad, sad 275. The lone HC winner was rising star BLANCHE SODEN (306). Blanche really laid the whip to ESTHER DEPALO of ND (265), but it was to no avail.

ND will have to move into even higher gear if it wishes to seriously challenge G-Town for the Round Two crown.

Fifth place St. Mary (16½ wins) took 2½ wins from lethargic Catholic University (7th place-14½ wins). CU winners were CAROLINE COELLEN (295) and captain JIM SNYDER (a close 321-320 victory over St. Mary's captain JOHN PROVOST).

The two winners for St. Mary's in this match were TERRY CERPOVICZ, a 267-262 grudge-match victory over her spouse, FRANK CERPOVICZ, and "Steady" EDDIE GALLERANI (286).

Last year's sagging and gagging Grand Champions,

St. Louis (last place-6 wins), remain the league's whipping boys in 1988-89 as BC (6th place-15 wins) grabbed four much-needed victories.

St. Lou started off on the right foot when lead-off roller VENETTA SNYDER hit a 269 (PAT RESCIGNO for BC-229). But it was all downhill after this.

The BC victory parade was led by JANICE MOCCIO (274), JIM MCNAMEE (294), and captain JOHN O'CONNELL, who took no prisoners when he smashed, bashed, and crashed poor St. Lou substitute captain, LARRY MULDER (329). Larry thought he was having a good night but O'Connell, now an Open Class roller behind "The Mad Stork" with a 108.17 average (third in entire league), was truly on fire.

In the final match of the night, St. Anselm (8th place-12 wins) saw Loyola (10th place-9 wins) grab three wins. Loyola's only winner was the big one - captain STEVE ROVITHIS launched a 349-281 victory at St. A's dazed and dazzled anchorman, RICH SNYDER. Snyder really was never in this one.

St. A's did have three winners - DEBBIE GEORGE (268), JEAN BUONICONTI (268), and captain TONY KOZAK (280). Kozak decided it was better to let Snyder go to the slaughter this week (although Kozak was coming off a fine week six).

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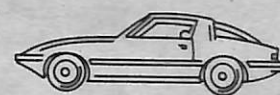
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SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

The Wetland Controversy

When the question "what constitutes a wetland?" is brought up, you will get as many different answers as there are people in attendance at a conclave.

If anything, 1988 will be remembered by the environmentalist as the year that a giant step was taken to ensure the retaining of our quickly disappearing wetlands. Four Federal agencies have agreed upon exactly how wetlands will be identified and defined.

For the first time, the federal agencies responsible for wetlands will really be talking the same language. This will help ensure that important wetlands are protected and should simplify things for state and local governments, as well as members of the public who must deal with the government on the regulations affecting wetlands.

The agreement was signed January 10th, 1989, by Dunkle, director of U.S. Fish and Wildlife; Wilson Scaling, chief agriculture administrator for Water of the Environmental Protection Agency; and John Doyle, Army

deputy assistant secretary for Civil Works.

The agreement, entitled "A Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands," reconciles longstanding differences in the guidelines used by the four agencies in delineating wetland areas, and provides a single, consistent approach for all federal agencies to use.

Cities and towns' conservation commissions should consider the manual a requisite. It will make their task easier when dealing with the many developers over the year.

Some Confusion About

The confusion over what constitutes a wetland has arisen because there are many different kinds of wetlands, and because the various agencies have differing authorities and responsibilities.

According to surveys by the Fish and Wildlife Service's National Wetlands Inventory, nearly 500,000 acres of wetlands are lost each year in the United States. Of the 215 million acres of wetlands that existed in the continental United States when the Pilgrims landed, only 99 million acres, about 46 percent, remained by the 1970's.

The Agawam Sportsman's Club's, Inc. new officers for 1989 are: President, **Ed Tluszcz;** Vice President, **Lon-**

nie Waterman; Treasurer, **Dick Palazzi;** Secretary, **Carl Lapierre;** Membership Secretary, **George Pooler.**

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The Pistol Tournament started Monday, January 9th, at 7:30 p.m., and will continue every Monday for 10 weeks. **Ed Lawton** and **Don Swindle** are the men to see if you want to participate.

The Big Buck Deer Contest Supper will be held January 22nd (Super Bowl Sunday). The Big Buck Supper will be served at 2:00 p.m., with a video, and the Super Bowl will be shown on the large TV screen after dinner.

A Prime Rib Dinner Dance will be held Saturday, February 4th. A complete rib dinner includes dancing afterwards. More information can be had at the clubhouse.

The archery tournament commenced on Tuesday, January 17th, at 7:30 p.m.

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APPROVED ORDINANCE
TOR-88-22

WHEREAS, the Town of Agawam wishes to amend Chapter 14, Article IV, Section 14-13, Sub-Section I of the Code of the Town of Agawam to reflect the changes in the A.F.S.C.M.E. Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, Chapter 14, Article IV, Section 14-13, Sub-Section I entitled "The grade and salary range assignment of employees in the Town Clerical Group" shall be amended and read as follows effective July 1, 1988, and January 1, 1989.

ADD - EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1988:

	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3	STEP 4	STEP 5
Asst. Acct.	21,290.92	21,985.64	22,682.96	23,427.08	24,195.12

ADD - EFFECTIVE January 1, 1989:

Asst. Acct.	21,899.84	22,615.36	23,333.48	24,099.96	24,890.88
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DATED THIS 20TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1988.

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APPROVED ORDINANCE
TOR-88-24

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III, SECTION 14-11, SUB-SECTION XI ENTITLED "UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS"

WHEREAS, in order for the Town of Agawam to be competitive with all area organizations regarding sports official's fees, the Town of Agawam wishes to reflect the following changes in the unclassified rates.

NOW THEREFORE, Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-11, Sub-Section XI entitled "Unclassified Positions" of the Code of the Town of Agawam is hereby amended deleting and adding the following effective upon passage:

RATES PER HOUR - DELETE AS FOLLOWS:

	Old Rate
Basketball Officials	\$8.00
Baseball Umpires	\$12.00
Softball Umpires	\$9.00
Soccer Officials	\$12.00

RATES PER HOUR - ADD AS FOLLOWS EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE:

	New Rate
Basketball Officials	\$15.00
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Soccer Officials	\$15.00

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APPROVED ORDINANCE
TOR-88-23

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A LAND NEEDS LIAISON COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, The Town of Agawam wishes to establish a Land Needs Liaison Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Said Committee shall consist of seven (7) members to be appointed by the Town Manager and confirmed by a majority vote of the Town Council. Three (3) members to be initially appointed for a term of one (1) year, two (2) members to be initially appointed for a term of two (2) years, and two (2) members to be initially appointed for a term of three (3) years. After initial appointment, the term of all members shall be for two (2) years; and,

WHEREAS, The Land Liaison Committee shall annually elect its chairperson and such other officers as it deems appropriate; and,

WHEREAS, Present service or membership on any other town board/commission/council shall not disqualify a prospective member from service on the Land Needs Liaison Committee; and,

WHEREAS, Each member shall be responsible for keeping the committee abreast of the land needs of the following town departments/boards/commissions:

1. Housing Authority;
2. Council On Aging;
3. Parks and Recreation Department.
4. Conservation Commission; Planning Board and AEDIC;
5. School Committee;
6. Town of Agawam-Departmental Facilities; and,
7. Miscellaneous Land Needs.

WHEREAS, The Committee shall research and investigate the possible acquisition of suitable parcels located within the Town to meet the existing needs of the Town.

WHEREAS, This Committee shall identify the best uses for parcels available for purchases, and they shall keep an updated report of the land needs of the Town; and,

WHEREAS, Said Committee shall make said reports and recommendations to the Town Manager.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED, That the Town Council establish a Land Needs Liaison Committee.

DATED THIS 20TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1988.

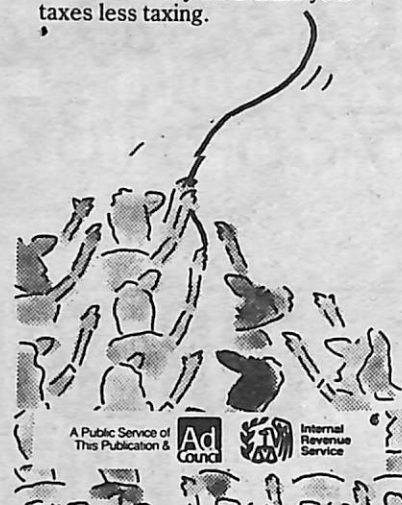
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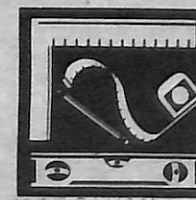
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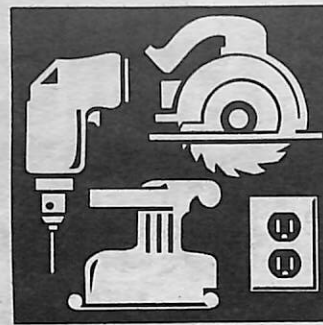
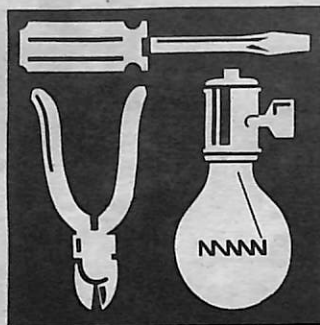
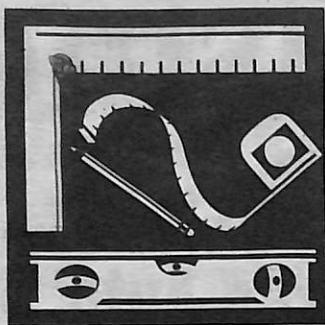
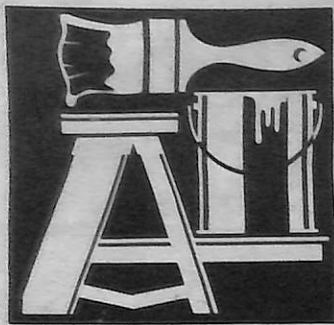
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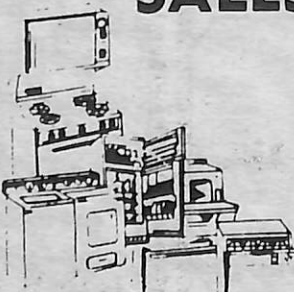
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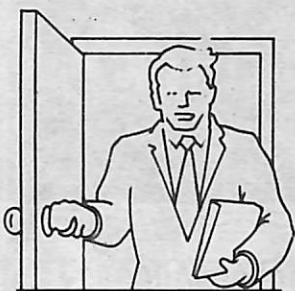


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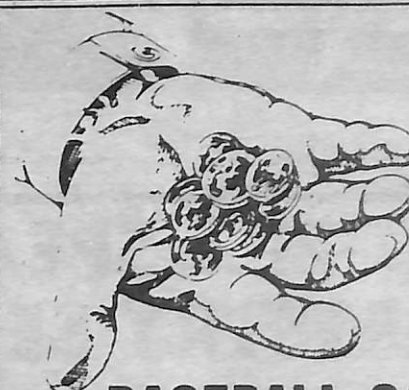


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